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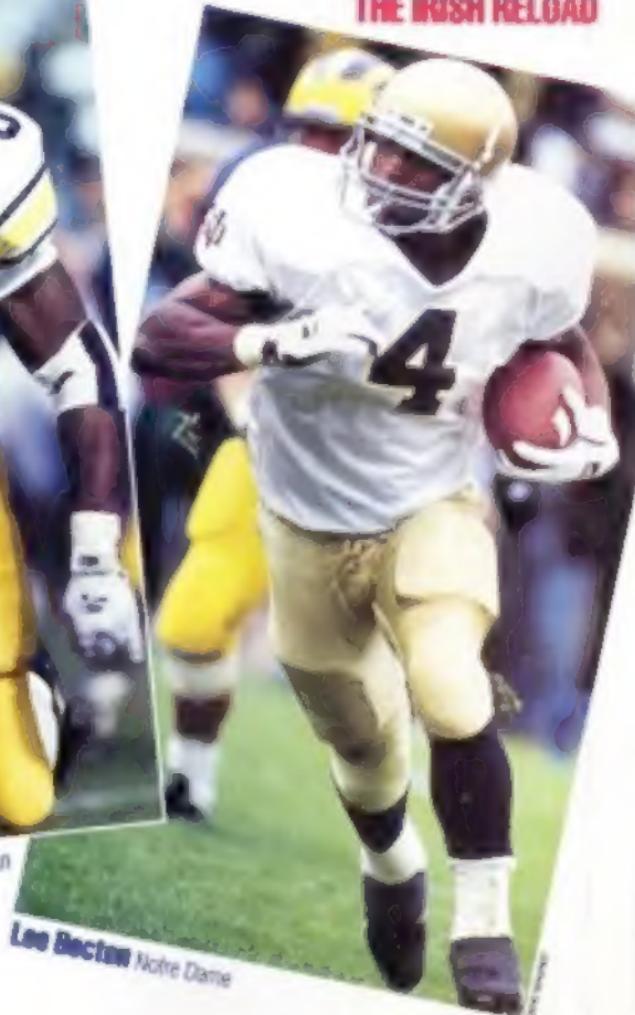
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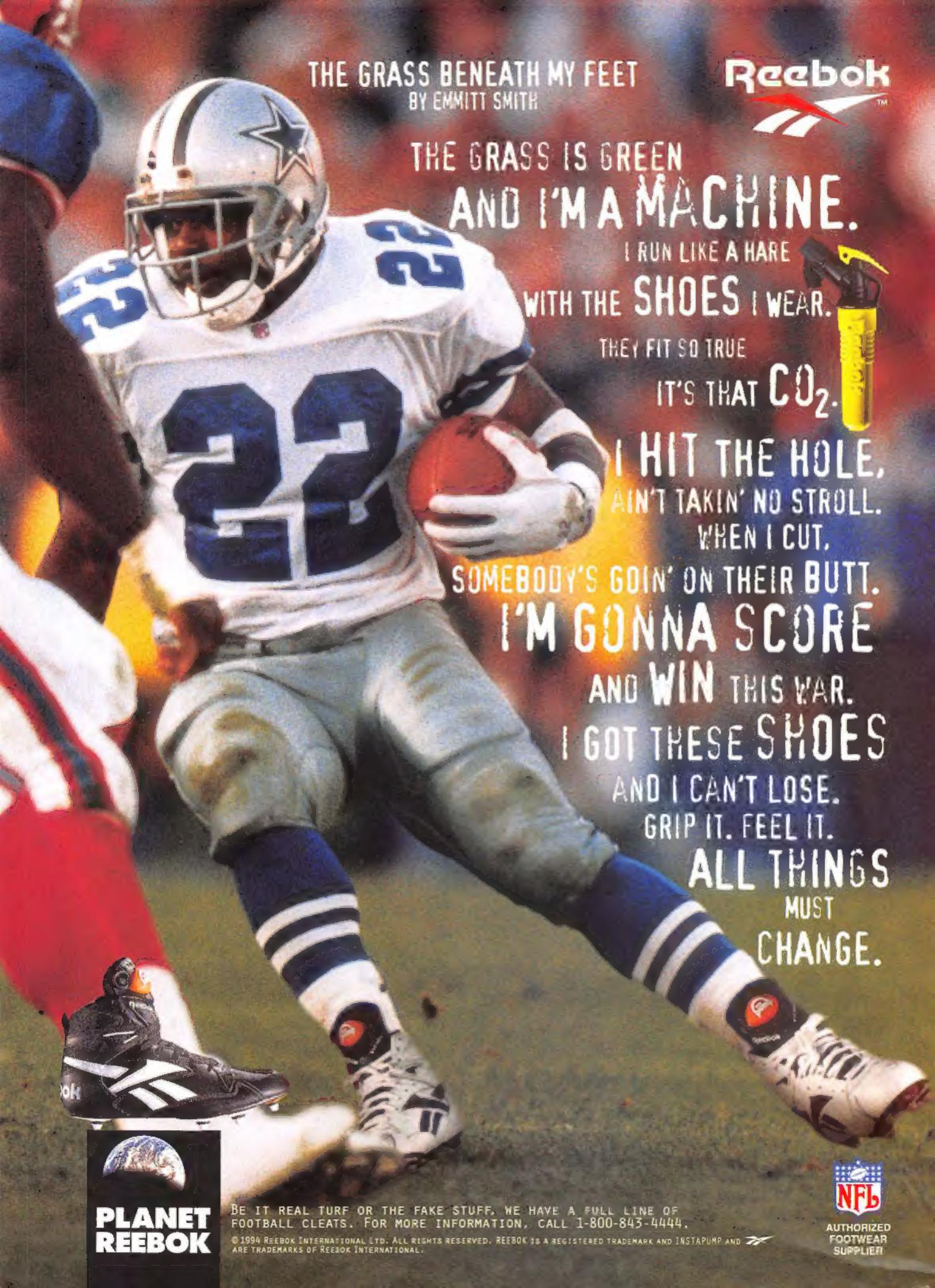
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## Letter From the Editor

Let's get right to the important matters: Who are the top college football teams and when are the biggest games this fall? Florida State was No. 1 after the Seminoles overcame a loss at Notre Dame in November and outlasted Nebraska in the Orange Bowl last New Year's night. That gave coach Bobby Bowden his first national championship. It also kept a streak alive: For the past six years, either Florida State or Miami has started or finished the season at the front of the pack. FSU has a score to settle with the Irish, whom they will meet in Tallahassee on November 12.

Miami slipped out of the top 10 for the first time in nearly a decade. That didn't sit well with coach Dennis Erickson, who will have the Hurricanes in contention for their third national title in six years. They have their own rematch with the Seminoles, at home on October 8.

For now, though, Florida sits atop the Street & Smith's 1994 preseason poll. To remain there, the Gators will have to go through Tennessee in September, Auburn in October, Florida State in November, and most likely Alabama in the SEC championship game in December. The payoff is a second straight Sugar Bowl bid.

Nebraska and West Virginia took unbeaten records into January, but both saw their hopes for a national championship vanish in bowl losses: Nebraska, as noted, to Florida State in the Orange; West Virginia to Florida in the Sugar. The Cornhuskers and Mountaineers will get a head start on the fall when they go head-to-head in the Kickoff Classic on August 28 in Giants Stadium.

The Big Eight title could be decided on October 29 when Colorado and Nebraska lock horns in Lincoln. And speaking of horns, Texas plays consecutive games in October against its future Big Eight rivals Colorado and Oklahoma. It hosts long-time Southwest Conference adversary Texas A&M on November 5.

Wisconsin came out ahead in the Big Ten last fall and then defeated Pac-10 champion UCLA in the Rose Bowl. But because their schedules remain so formidable, both teams, despite a wealth of returning talent, will be hard pressed to repeat. The Badgers have an early-season game at Colorado and back-to-back road dates later in the year with Michigan and Ohio State. The Bruins open in Tennessee, host Nebraska two weeks later, and travel to Arizona in October. It was Arizona which pinned a shutout on Miami in the Fiesta Bowl. The Wildcats are the favorite to make it to Pasadena this time. Their opponent could be Michigan, looking to recover its accustomed perch atop the league, or perhaps Penn State, which also has consecutive games with the Wolverines and the Buckeyes but does not play Wisconsin. If the Nittany Lions win the Big Ten, Joe Paterno will be looking for his record 16th bowl victory in the Rose.

LaVell Edwards has taken Brigham Young to a bowl game in each of the last 16 years. If he can find a defense to accompany the nation's No. 2 passing offense, the Cougars should keep their streak alive.

*Gerard Kavanagh*



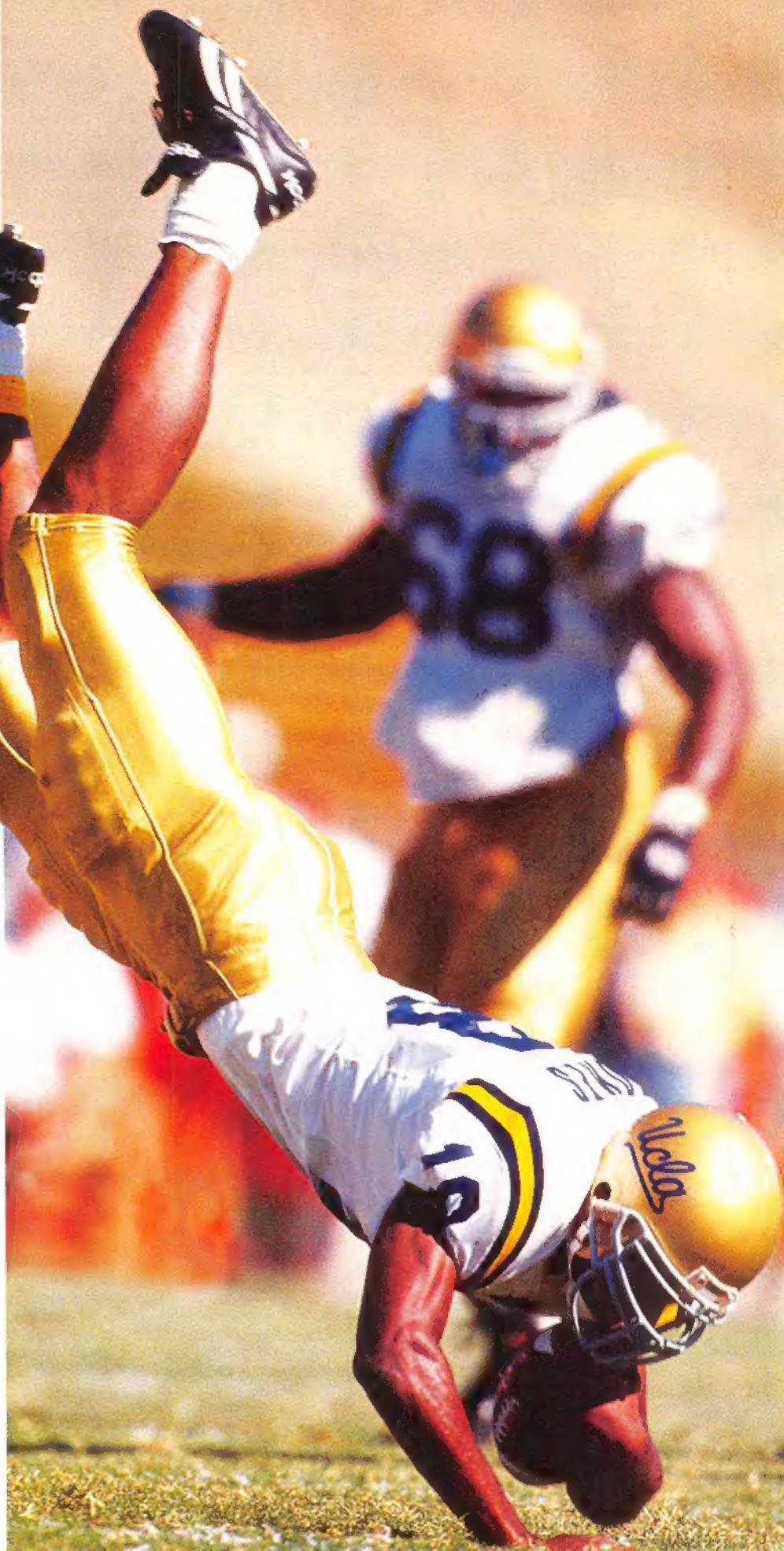
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July 1994 **55**th year  
Jeff Carick



# Letters

## Baseball

Your articles in the 1994 Street & Smith's *Baseball* on "The Boys of Winter" and "Prescription for Baseball" were home runs. They should be required reading in the offices of all major league owners and general managers. Especially this statement: "The wild card is a phony attraction that is like too many other elements in your business."

JAMES WHALEN, Waukegan, IL

I'm enjoying *Street & Smith's Baseball*, as I have for 40 years or so. I do have one question about this year's edition, though. In the profile of Greg Maddux, the writer states that Maddux is the first pitcher to win the Cy Young Award for two different teams. Didn't Gaylord Perry also accomplish this? If memory serves, he did it in two different leagues.

Keep up the good work. I look forward to your magazine every spring. It's a sure sign that the baseball season is upon us and winter is on its way out.

THOMAS DALY, Mokena, IL

*Gaylord Perry won the Cy Young in 1972 with the Cleveland Indians and again in 1978 with the San Diego Padres.*

I have been a fan of your magazines for many years. I have several questions/comments about your *Baseball* issue, and I also have a suggestion regarding the inclusion of some additional information which I feel could contribute to your publication. Concerning the section on statistics, I feel that a legend would be invaluable. Several sports enthusiasts in our shop spent 20 minutes trying to figure out what some of the headings refer to. For instance, in the batting stats, what does SH mean? And how do you calculate SLG and OBP? These formulas would be beneficial to know. Finally, I think that including batting averages with runners in scoring position would be of value.

Could you please send me a legend and the formulas I inquired about? Again, thanks for your great publication.

GARY A. PHINNEY, Tacoma, NY

*SH refers to sacrifice hits. For slugging average, divide the number of total bases by the total number of at-bats; for on-base percentage, divide the total number of times the batter reached base safely (via a hit, walk, or hit-by-pitch) by the total number of plate appearances.*

I'm not sure, but I believe that in order to give a team a reasonable assessment for the forthcoming season, you have to actually look at the team. Let's take my two favorite teams, the Indians and the Reds. While it's great that you believe in the young Indians, my hometown team, your basis for predicting them to be second is clearly based on the hype of the last two seasons. I'm quite sure that with this current team maturing and some venerable free agents to help, the Tribe will surprise all. I would like to see, however, some first-hand information on the matter. Instead you leaned rather heavily on praising Albert Belle.

As for the Reds, you prematurely forecast their demise based on last year's dreadful clubhouse atmosphere. That situation no

longer exists, nor do the injuries that plagued the team all year. You had Davey Johnson fired by Opening Day. You forgot, team owner Marge [Schoit] wants to see a won-loss record first, and you can't win or lose if you haven't started the season. You also based your doomsaying on the presence of Kevin Mitchell, who, despite last year's shoddy performance, has been totally committed this spring. I see Cincy in first or second. In fact, I need only to look back at your predictions for Philadelphia to see that I'm right. Of course, the Reds could collapse and leave me with egg on my face.

THOMAS HOTTELL, Cincinnati, OH

## Pro Football

I am writing to you as a U.K. fan of *Street & Smith's Pro Football* magazine. I have been fortunate to be visiting the USA during June in the last two years and bought a copy, which I have found to be invaluable. I would be grateful if you could post me the 32nd year [1994] of this excellent magazine and I will gladly send you by return mail the cost including any postage and handling. Thank you.

A. PARRY, Glasgow, Scotland

## College Football

I am writing this letter to call your attention to a practice of your magazine that is offensive to graduates of Southern University. Your magazine refers to our school as Southern-Baton Rouge, or Southern-B.R. The proper designation for our school is Southern University. I believe that you do this so that your readers will know where Southern is located. If this is the case (and should you find it necessary to continue to do this), would you please use the designation "Southern University (LA)" or "Southern (LA)." This is a practice that you currently use to distinguish Miami (OH) from Miami (FL), and you also use it to inform your readers of the locations of other schools (i.e., St. Joseph's of Pa.). I don't feel that any additional description is necessary, as the name "Southern University" stands on its own merits and accomplishments. But if you really believe that the additional descriptions are needed to adequately inform your readers, then I ask that you use one of the designations given above and discontinue the offensive practice you currently use when reporting on our great institution.

AUBRA E. McFARLAND, Cincinnati, OH  
*The NCAA, in its schedules, statistics, standings, and I-AA classification, refers to the university as "Southern-Baton Rouge" and "Southern-B.R."*

## College Basketball

Being a woman's basketball fan, I was disappointed by two things concerning the 1993-94 College/Prep Basketball magazine: no women's basketball schedules and misinformation that credited Northwestern with "upsets over Ohio State last year and Iowa the previous one." It's only fair to point out that the Wildcats did not beat Ohio State in 1992-93, nor did they beat Iowa the previous season. When Ohio State shared the Big

Ten title with Iowa, the Buckeyes' two league losses were at Iowa and at Penn State. The season before, when Iowa won the Big Ten title with a 16-2 mark, the Hawkeyes' two losses were at Wisconsin and at Purdue.

As for the schedules, I would like to see future issues include schedules of women's teams so that myself and other women's hoops fans can keep track of who's playing who, just like you do for the men's teams. I've found your magazine to be extremely interesting and informative over the years, but quite frankly, unless you show more respect for the growing sport of women's basketball, I'm afraid I'll have to stop buying it. Thank you.

JOHN DOGETT, Victorville, CA

## Pro Basketball

I enjoyed your 1993-94 Pro Basketball issue. In the article "Star Search," you mentioned Elithmas Retzies of Greece and stated "The last Greek to play at a major school was Pano Fassoulas at N.C. State, who was drafted in 1986." Excuse me, sonny, but isn't Rony Seikaly Greek? Seikaly graduated from Syracuse University and was drafted by the Miami Heat in 1988.

WILLIAM STONE, Troy, NY

*Rony Seikaly was born in Beirut, Lebanon and attended American Community High School in Athens, Greece.*

Ever since you came out with the *Street & Smith's Pro Basketball* edition—separate from the College edition—I've made it a point to secure a copy. (Here in the Philippines, basketball is the No. 1 sport.) I like your magazine because it's very informative and full of complete NBA stats with interesting features and interviews with different players and coaches.

There's one suggestion that I hope you will consider. I've noticed that your Pro Basketball comes out more than a month before the regular season begins. Why not make it right before the season opens? That way, you won't miss out on the latest player trades and other basketball news. For example, Michael Jordan suddenly retired and Sean Elliot was traded for Dennis Rodman. Those were major moves which affected your basketball observations and analyses. Also, instead of the NBA Legends or Rookie games during the All-Star weekend, why not a two-on-two or three vs. three competition? Those would be more interesting.

Keep up the good work and more power to you!

GREG DIZON, The Philippines

I am an avid football, basketball, and baseball fan. I look forward to reading your magazines during the respective seasons. Your publications are the best in the business! Keep up the good work. The in-depth coverage of the various sports are informative and entertaining.

STUART SHALLOWAY, Alexandria, VA

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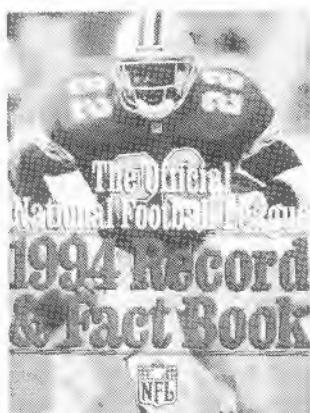
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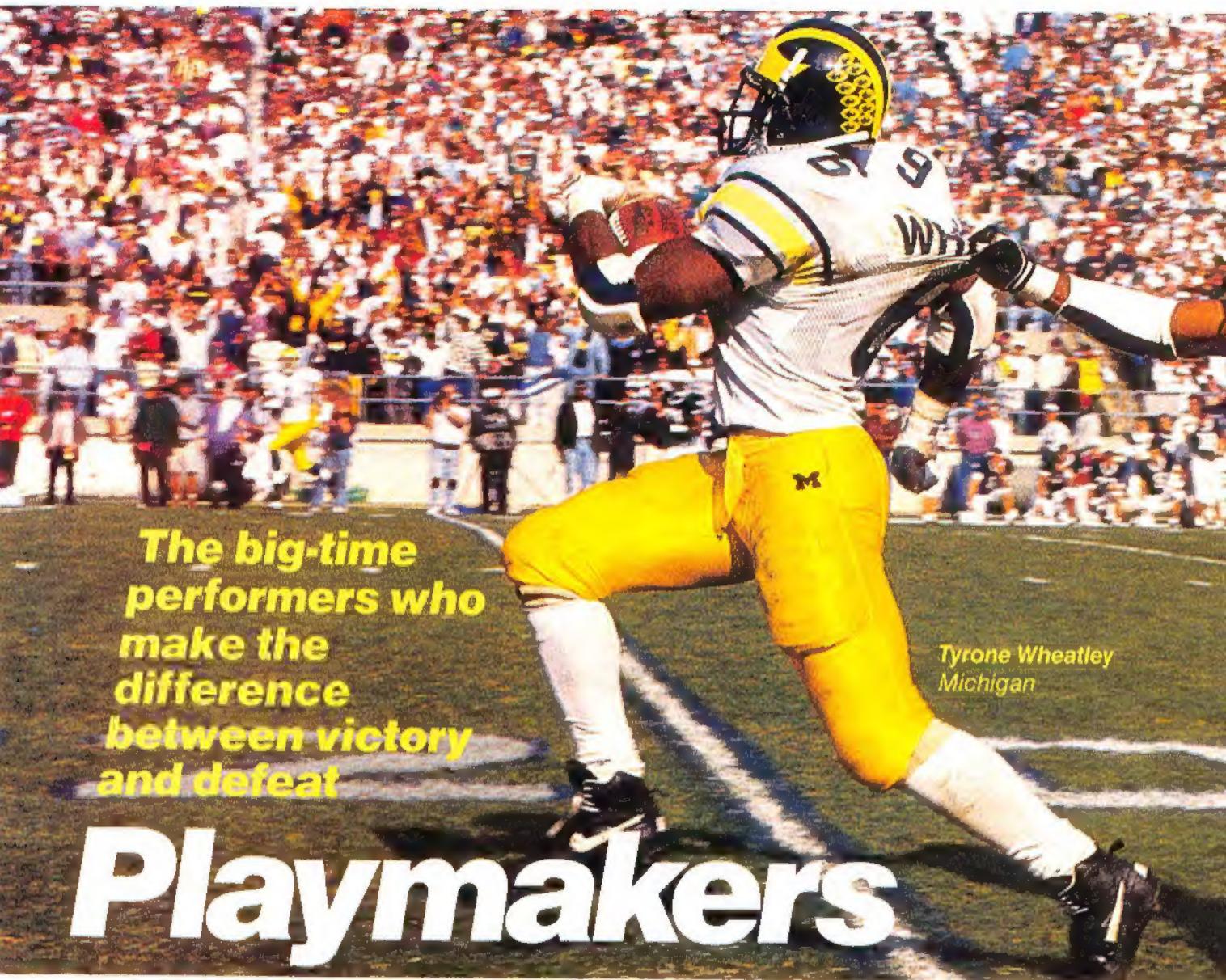
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**The big-time performers who make the difference between victory and defeat**

# Playmakers

by LARRY FELSER

BUFFALO NEWS

Before Jimmy Johnson was so rudely interrupted in the midst of establishing a dynasty with the Dallas Cowboys, his method of building and then reinforcing his team each spring in the college draft was relatively simple. He wasn't overcome if the computers went "Tilt" in recognition of a prospect's speed. He would not be wide-eyed with awe at mountainous size. He looked for something else. "I like playmakers," he explained. Consequently the Dallas roster is full of athletes who, during their college career, consistently performed the tasks that meant the difference between victory and defeat. They made the big plays.

This college season is awash with performers who have already established their reputations as playmakers, from Pac-10 quarterbacks to an Atlantic Coast Conference linebacker who can be a scoring machine. The list ranges from the expected (players on perennial powers such as Florida State and Notre Dame) to the unexpect-

ed (a running back from Rutgers, a long-time struggler).

#### ROB JOHNSON

Late in his sophomore season at the University of Southern California, quarterback Rob Johnson was confronted by the great defense of Arizona, then on a five-game winning streak. It was a typical Arizona gut-check game, with the Wildcats leading 7-6 midway through the final quarter when the Trojans drove to their 3-yard line. Tailback Deon Strother took a pitchout from Johnson and ran right, but then he suddenly stopped and lofted the football to Johnson, who had run a pass route into the end zone. Johnson was covered tightly by cornerback Jey Phillips, but his leap produced the winning catch. It was in character for Johnson. He has been making crucial plays since early in his high school days in El Toro, California, where he was drafted by the Minnesota Twins in baseball and heavily recruited as a basketball player. As a junior wide receiver he caught 65 passes, including a dozen for

touchdowns, from Steve Stenstrom, now Stanford's quarterback.

Johnson also knows the flip side of playmaking. Against UCLA late last season in the game that would decide the Pac-10's Rose Bowl representative, the Trojans trailed when Johnson drove them to the 3-yard line with a 33-yard pass to Johnnie Morton and a 43-yarder to Ken Grace. All he needed was a field goal to tie or a touchdown to get to the Rose Bowl. Instead Marvin Goodwin of UCLA intercepted Johnson in the end zone. Johnson handled the disappointment and the indignation of the alumni, but the sympathy was something else. "I can't stand the pity," he said. "It's the worst."

Count on Johnson to overcome that bad day. In the final game of his sophomore season, he was intercepted three times by Fresno State in the Freedom Bowl in one of the Trojans' all-time fright losses. He responded by allowing only one interception in his first 167 passes (covering five games) in 1993. He finished with a touchdown-pass-to-interception ratio of 29-6.



Derrick Brooks

for Clemson. The Tigers needed only a foot for a first down and Blunt got the ball, but Brooks crushed him before he gained an inch and set the tone for FSU's 57-0 victory.

Brooks scored touchdowns in three consecutive games last fall, either by fumble recovery or interception. "I've never seen a defensive player do what he did," said Bowden. "Not even Deion did that." Jim Gladden, his linebacker coach, analyzes Brooks more indelicately: "Derrick is like a cockroach. It's not what he carts off and eats. It's what he falls in and messes up."

#### **WARRICK DUNN**

Veterans like Brooks and Ward overshadowed Dunn's playmaking skills until late in the season, when the Seminoles were running out of momentum and the University of Florida was gathering its own as it cut Florida State's lead to six points and sent the record crowd of 85,507 at Florida Field into a frenzy. All that Bowden wanted was a first down and some ball control with the clock slipping under six minutes. Ward faked to Dunn off play action, then looked quickly to his right for wide receiver Kez McCorvey, who had run a curl-in. Instead he saw a Florida pass rusher in his face. Ward was

20, and Dunn relied on a trick he learned from watching one of the Gators' own immortals. "I got caught by the heels early in the season, but then I learned to kick up my feet when somebody was trying to catch me from behind like that," explained Dunn. "I learned it from watching Emmitt Smith."

#### **BOBBY ENGRAM**

Bobby Engram spent most of his first two seasons at Penn State watching O.J. McDuffie, one of the school's all-time game-breakers. With McDuffie a Miami Dolphin last year, Engram set about building a quick reputation of his own. He began loudly, catching four touchdown passes from John Saccia in Penn State's first Big Ten game.

Yet the defining Engram play came against Indiana in a game in which Joe Paterno was relying on tight defense and field goals to carry him through. Penn State hadn't scored a touchdown in six quarters and Kerry Collins replaced Saccia as quarterback in a controversial move. When they came to Happy Valley early in November, the Hoosiers were 6-1, including 4-1 in the conference, and off to their best start since their 1967 Rose Bowl team. They had visions of roses once again when they drove 80



Bruce L. Schwartzman

#### **Derrick Brooks Florida State**

flushed out of the pocket and the receivers went into their scramble drill. The idea is for the receivers to run to an open spot and hope the quarterback will find them. Dunn had slipped through the line of scrimmage, got behind a Gator linebacker, and cut to his left. He caught Ward's pass at the Seminole 35, got a block at the 30, and headed up the sideline in front of the Florida State bench. There was one man to beat near the Florida

yards for the tying touchdown midway in the fourth quarter. The Nittany Lions tried to strike back, but their responding drive seemed to stall at the Indiana 45. On third and 10, Collins called Engram's number. "Bobby and I were on the same page," he explained. Earlier the two had collaborated on a touchdown pass against an Indiana blitz. This time Collins was chased from the pocket. He found Engram open near the In-

#### **DERRICK BROOKS**

Back when he was a sophomore at Washington High School in Pensacola, Brooks suffered a humiliation that still motivates him. He prepared to make a goal-line stand against cross-town rival Pine Forest, but when tailback Rodney Blunt got the ball, he knocked Brooks back into the end zone and scored. "I'm not going to let anyone run over me again," vowed Brooks. Last season Brooks looked across the line of scrimmage and saw Blunt once more, playing tailback

# Playmakers

diana 30. Engram moved left to lose the coverage, then cut upfield after the catch to beat the last pursuer. The touchdown not only broke open the game but broke McDufie's single-season school record. Engram finished with 13 touchdowns.

## JOHN WALSH

To the roster of record-setting quarterbacks turned out by Brigham Young University, add the name John Walsh. The 6-4, 210-pound junior, coming off a shoulder injury in 1992, improved as the '93 season wore on, completing over 61 percent of his passes for 3,727 yards and 28 touchdowns, including 15 in the final 10 quarters of play. He was fifth in the nation in total offense, producing almost 311 yards per game. Seven times last fall he threw for over 300 yards, including four games of over 400 yards. He had 439 yards and four touchdowns in a 48-45 loss to Fresno State on October 23; the following week he shattered the school record with 619 yards and five TDs in a 58-56 loss to Utah State. Overshadowed in the Western Athletic Conference by San Diego State's Marshall Faulk, the No. 2 pick in the NFL draft, and Fresno State's Trent Dilfer, the sixth selection, Walsh directed an offense that averaged 35.5 points per game (the defense yielded 37.0) and led the Cougars to the Holiday Bowl (BYU's 16th straight bowl), where he was named co-Offensive MVP in a 28-21 setback to Ohio State. He'll get competition in the pass-happy WAC this fall from Mike McCoy of Utah and Tim Gutierrez of San Diego State, each of whom completed over 61 percent of his passes for more than 3,000 yards and 20 touchdowns.

## DERRICK MAYES

As usual, Notre Dame has playmakers in bunches. Derrick Mayes didn't even start a game last season as a sophomore, but he established himself as one of the most dangerous performers in the nation. It was his spectacular 46-yard touchdown catch that started the Irish comeback after they fell behind by 21 points to Boston College in that memorable game last fall. Anything Mayes does should not be a surprise, since the first three passes he caught as a freshman all went for touchdowns.

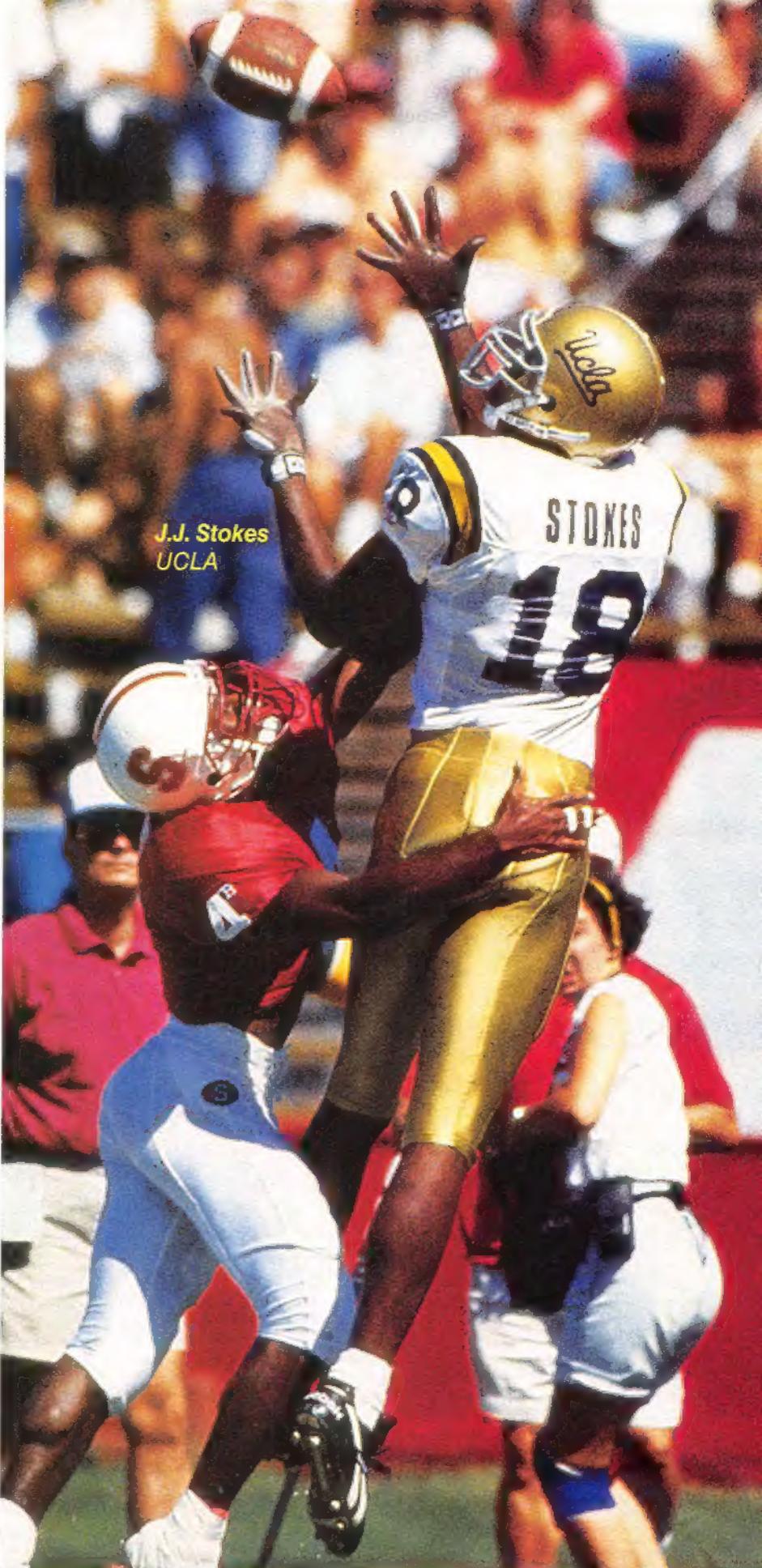
## BOBBY TAYLOR

Cornerback Bobby Taylor may rank with Florida State's Brooks as the most explosive college defender this season. Like Mayes, he's been making plays since he was a freshman safety. It was Taylor who blocked the extra point that enabled the Irish to defeat Penn State, 17-16, that year. Last season in the Stanford game, feature receiver Justin Armour, covered by Taylor, was the target for 11 passes. Armour went 0-for-11. Taylor also blocked two field goals in that game and another against Purdue.

## LEE BECTON

Running back Lee Becton is a much quieter playmaker than his teammates Mayes and Taylor, but in the game of the year against Florida State, at a time when the Seminoles were choking every opponent's top ball carrier, Becton produced one important first down after another on his way to a 122-yard day and a Notre Dame victory.

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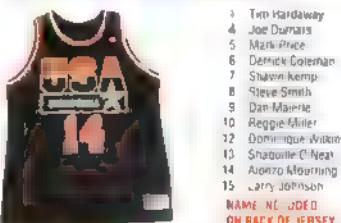
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# Playmakers

## PETE MITCHELL

Boston College's superb tight end caught 66 passes last season, dozens of them via But he saved his best for the upset over Notre Dame. Not only did he tie Tom Waddele's school record of 13 receptions in one game, but 12 of the catches produced either a first down or a touchdown. NBC commentator Cris Collinsworth, a former All-American at Florida and all-pro with Cincinnati, couldn't contain himself. "He is the best receiver I have ever seen in college football," said Collinsworth.

## TYRONE WHEATLEY

Tyrone Wheatley is such a dominant runner that he is in danger of being taken for granted. Ron Johnson, the man who still holds the Michigan record for yards gained in a single game, accomplished 26 years ago, compares him to Herschel Walker, but gives Wheatley a decided edge. "Tyrone has the ability to be a stronger runner," said Johnson. "One of Herschel's shortcomings was that he didn't use his size and strength enough. Tyrone runs over people. He's an unbelievably physical runner." But it is a finesse maneuver that underlines Wheatley's ability as a playmaker. In the Indiana game last year, Hoosier safety Chris Dyer closed quickly to meet Wheatley who had taken a handoff and headed for the sideline. Wheatley cut quickly to his left, Dyer fell to his knees and the Michigan star continued on for a 54-yard touchdown run.

## J.J. STOKES

The most spectacular playmaker this fall could be J.J. Stokes, the 6-5 leaper from UCLA. He designated himself a marked man toward the end of the 1992 season when he caught six passes for 263 yards in a 38-37 victory over USC. Half the catches were for touchdowns of 57, 29 and 90 yards, the last of which won the game. Marked man or not, he was rarely stopped in 1993. During the course of a five-game stretch he caught 12 touchdown passes. Stokes's philosophy is simple: "Let me catch this and keep on going."

## Pete Mitchell Boston College



## ERIC ZEIER

At Georgia, quarterback Eric Zeier lost two outstanding teammates, running back Garrison Hearst and wide receiver Andre Hastings, when they left school a year early for the NFL. Halfway through the season, the Bulldogs were 1-4. But then Zeier began doing what he had done in his first two years at Georgia—making plays by the basketful. Only this time he was throwing to nine different receivers. He got his team back to winning by breaking the 24-year-old Southeastern Conference passing record with 544 yards in a 56-24 victory over Southern Mississippi. He followed that performance with 379 yards and 425 yards in victories over Vanderbilt and Kentucky.

## JAKE PLUMMER

Arizona State hopes that it has a Pac-10 version of Zeier in Jake Plummer, one of only two "pure" freshman quarterbacks to start in major college football last season. Plummer's first pass gained 78 yards and a touchdown. Initial shock is becoming his stock. The Sun Devils won their third consecutive game with Plummer at quarterback when they stunned California with a 62-yard pass on their first offensive play. "We wanted to run that play first if it appeared to be there and it was," explained Plummer. "It depended upon the free safety biting. He bit." In 1992, Arizona State's longest pass completion was 43 yards. After just his third start, Plummer had already completed four passes of more than 50 yards, four of them for touchdowns.

## JOEY GALLOWAY

A mini-version of UCLA's Stokes at 5-10 and 180 pounds, Joey Galloway of Ohio State like Stokes is consistently breathtaking. He scored a touchdown in each of the Buckeyes' first six games and in nine of 12 overall. He became the first wide receiver in school history to lead the team in scoring with 11 touchdown catches (tying the OSU record held by Chris Carter, now with the Minnesota Vikings) and two TD runs. But it's Galloway's playmaking ability that puts him on the top shelf with this season's college players. In the Michigan State game last year, he caught a screen pass in the right flat that seemed to be a dead end. Instead he reversed his direction to the left. A Buckeye assistant shouted into the headphones of coach John Cooper: "What in the heck is he doing?" Cooper, watching the field, saw a space blank open. "He's probably going to score a touchdown," he answered. Galloway didn't score, but as quarterback Bob Hoyer said, "He made 10 yards out of nothing." Galloway has a knack for turning ordinary plays into big ones. On fourth-and-two against Washington, he ran a 12-yard quick curl pattern, made the catch, and turned it into a 35-yard touchdown play that broke open Ohio State's 21-12 victory.

## TERRELL WILLIS

Rutgers suffered through a disappointing 4-7 season in 1993, but Terrell Willis was at least a soothing balm. In the Scarlet Knights' opener, Willis bashed 45 yards against Colgate on the first carry of his career. On his second he went the remaining five yards for a touchdown. Once he broke into the start-



## Joey Galloway Ohio State

ing lineup, his speed overmatched most opponents. In his first start he scored four touchdowns against Army. In his second he scored three against tough Virginia Tech. By the time he finished, he had 2,026 all-purpose yards, breaking Herschel Walker's NCAA freshman record, and became the first freshman ever named all-Big East.

## ANTONIO ARMSTRONG

Texas A&M has a lineage of outstanding linebackers that includes Quentin Coryatt, Aaron Wallace, Johnny Holland, John Roper, Larry Kelm, and William Thomas. Carrying on the Aggie tradition is Antonio Armstrong (formerly Antonio Shorter), the Most Valuable Defensive Player in the Cotton Bowl despite his team's loss to Notre Dame. Armstrong had three sacks and three tackles for losses while playing over Aaron Taylor, the Lombardi Trophy winner for most of the afternoon. "I don't know who that No. 56 was," said Taylor after the game. "But he was one of the fastest guys I've ever seen. A few times he ran past me like he was wearing cement shoes. No one will have to tell the Aggies' opponents this season's that No. 56 is Armstrong. They know."

## LEELAND McELROY

Across the line, Texas A&M was loaded with offensive weapons. Running mates Rodney Thomas (5.2-yard average) and Greg Hill (5.7) combined for 1,703 yards and 19 touchdowns last fall, but freshman Leeland McElroy, at 5-11 and 200 pounds, was the Aggies' most dangerous threat. The Southwest Conference Newcomer of the Year rushed for 613 yards and seven TDs on just 72 carries (8.5 average), caught 19 passes for 224 yards and four scores, and led the nation with a 39.3-yard average on 15 kickoffs, returning three for touchdowns. Overall, McElroy averaged 13.5 yards every time he touched the ball. That's a playmaker! □

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# Street & Smith's All-America Team

## by JIM CARLEY

Four players who won consensus All-America status last season (Florida State linebacker Derrick Brooks, wide receiver J.J. Stokes and place-kicker Bjorn Merten, both of UCLA, and Auburn punter Terry Daniel) top this year's Street & Smith's preseason All-America squad. As such they were the easiest choices on the 1994 list. Conversely, one of the most difficult selections was at quarterback, where three players easily stood above the rest. Oddly two of those had played at the same high school in El Toro, California.

### Pac Men

In 1989, Rob Johnson was a junior wide receiver and Steve Stenstrom a senior quarterback who helped lead El Toro to a 12-2 record and the state finals. Johnson caught 55 passes for 1,260 yards and 12 touchdowns that year while Stenstrom hit 117 of 179 passes for 2,175 yards and 25 TDs. Stenstrom then went on to Stanford, where he spent his first season as a redshirt freshman. Johnson, whose father, Bob, was El Toro's coach, took over the quarterback duties as a senior and hit 207 of 303 passes for 2,788 yards and 29 touchdowns as El Toro went 11-2 and made it to the state semifinals. Johnson went to Southern Cal the following year and now he and Stenstrom are considered by many to be the top two quarterbacks in the country. They continue to be close friends as they both make a bid for All-America and possible Heisman Trophy honors this season.

Johnson gets the edge on Street & Smith's first team over Stenstrom and Georgia's Eric Zeier, mostly because of a lower interception ratio. Johnson hit 278 of 405 passes for 3,285 and 26 touchdowns with only five interceptions, a rate of 1.23 per 100 passes. That's the best interception ratio of any returning player with more than 300 passes last year and was a Pac-10 record.

Offense FIRST TEAM			
QB	Rob Johnson	Sr.	USC
RB	Napoleon Kaufman	Sr.	Washington
RB	Tyrone Wheatley	Sr.	Michigan
WR	J.J. Stokes	Jr.	UCLA
TE	Brice Hunter	Jr.	Georgia
OL	Pete Mitchell	Sr.	Boston College
OL	Karey Strenger	Jr.	Ohio State
OL	Zach Wiegert	Sr.	Nebraska
OL	Blake Brockermeyer	Jr.	Texas
OL	Tony Rose	Sr.	USC
PK	Reggie Green	Jr.	Florida
KR	Bjorn Merten	Soph.	UCLA
LR	Leeland McElroy	Soph.	Texas A&M
Defense			
DL	Teddy Bruschi	Jr.	Arizona
DL	Derrick Alexander	Jr.	Florida State
DL	Shannon Clavelle	Jr.	Colorado
DL	Kevin Carter	Sr.	Florida
LB	Derrick Brooks	Sr.	Florida State
LB	Dana Howard	Sr.	Illinois
LB	Sean Harris	Sr.	Arizona
DB	Bobby Taylor	Jr.	Notre Dame
DB	Chris Hudson	Sr.	Colorado
DB	Clifton Abraham	Sr.	Florida
DB	Orlando Thomas	Sr.	Florida State
P	Terry Daniel	Sr.	SW Louisiana

"Sure, he's a leading candidate for the Heisman," USC coach John Robinson said. "But more importantly to our team, he can be the total quarterback by providing the winning edge that great players in that position can provide. His accuracy is phenomenal and his interception rate is amazing."

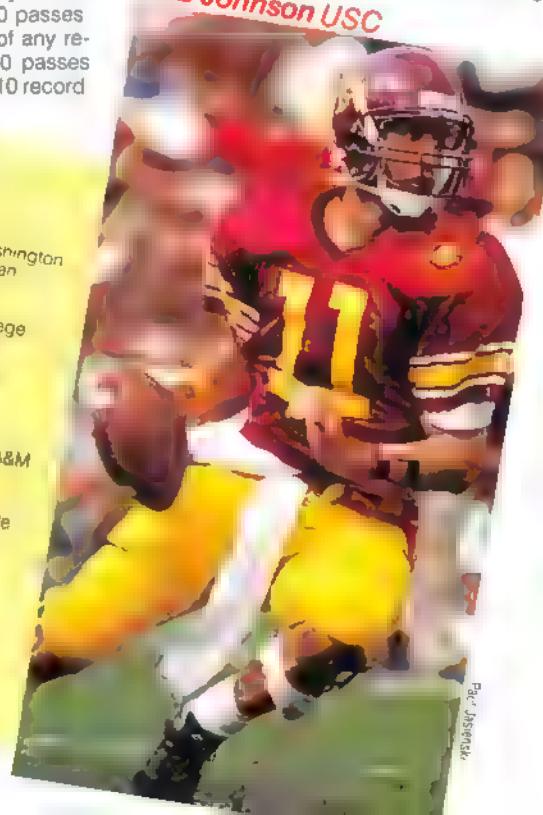
Already second on the school's all-time passing list (behind 1988 Heisman runner-up Rodney Peete), the 6-4, 220-pound Johnson set nine school records as he edged Stenstrom for Pac-10 first-team honors last year. But it was close. At Stanford, they're already talking about Stenstrom in the same breath as that other Cardinal great, John Elway. Stenstrom set or tied three conference and five school records last year as he hit 300 of 455 passes for 3,627 yards and 27 touchdowns with 14 interceptions. Johnson and Stenstrom both broke Elway's Pac-10 standard of 3,242 passing yards set in 1982. Stanford coach Bill Walsh believes his 6-3, 205-pound senior is second to none.

"There is no question Steve has to be considered one of the top quarterbacks in college football," Walsh said. "He's an outstanding candidate for the Heisman Trophy and All-America. He has become a precision quarterback who can throw a variety of passes, including the long ball. I think Steve could very well be the best passer in college football in 1994. He has a great future in professional football and, if he continues to improve, I believe he'll be a high draft choice in the NFL."

Still, neither Johnson nor Stenstrom is far ahead of Zeier, who threw for 3,525 yards and 24 touchdowns with only seven interceptions. Look for the another high-octane offense from the Bulldogs with Zeier throwing again to junior wide receiver Brice Hunter, another Street & Smith's preseason pick. Hunter caught 76 passes, fourth in the nation last year and tops among all returning

all returning

*Rob Johnson USC*



players, for 970 yards and nine touchdowns.

Stokes, the Bruins' flyer, caught 68 passes for 1,005 yards as a junior. He also had an eye-popping 17 touchdowns to lead the Pac-10 in scoring. The 6-5, 214-pounder is certain to be a high draft pick.

Close behind Stokes on the Pac-10 scoring list was Washington running back Napoleon Kaufman, who had 14 touchdowns; if he matches that figure this season, he will become the Huskies' all-time leader, with 38. Despite his 5-9, 185-pound frame, Kaufman, who rushed for 1,299 yards (5.7-yard average) last year, is coveted by the pros. He runs a 4.3 in the 40 (and a 6.32 in the 55-meter dash for the Huskie track team last spring), bench presses 385 pounds, and has a vertical leap of 37 inches. The versatile Kaufman also returned punts and kickoffs and caught 23 passes for 139 yards last year, which has new offensive coordinator Bill Driedrick vowing to throw plenty more passes his way this fall. Kaufman's 1,851 all-purpose yards last season broke Hugh McElhenny's 42-year-old school record.

At our other running back is Michigan tailback Tyrone Wheatley. He set the school's



*Brent Moss Wisconsin*

all-time rushing record with his 35th score in the Hall of Fame Bowl. That pushed his overall total to 40, tying him with former Wolverine All-America receiver Anthony Carter. Wheatley, who finished eighth in the Heisman voting, had 1,129 yards rushing last year, which was slightly off his 1,357 as a sophomore. He has 3,034 career rushing yards, one of only five players in school history to gain 3,000. Michigan is 13-1-1 when Wheatley, who has gained 100 or more

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yards in 14 of his last 19 games, gains 100. In 1993, the Wolverines were 2-3 when he didn't hit the century mark.

At tight end is Boston College's sure-handed Pete Mitchell who shows his versatility as the team's long-snapper on punts and then races downfield on the coverage. His biggest value to the team, of course, is in receiving, where the 6-2, 228-pounder caught 66 passes for 818 yards and seven touchdowns last year to lead the Big East in receptions. And Mitchell was at his best in the big games, particularly BC's upset of top-ranked Notre Dame. Against the Irish, he tied a school record with 13 catches for 132 yards, with 10 of the receptions for first downs and two for touchdowns (the 13th

for 613 yards and seven touchdowns, including one 81-yard TD against Houston, in mostly reserve play. He also caught 19 passes for 224 yards and four more touchdowns. He's expected to be the centerpiece of the A&M offense and one of the most dangerous players in the country this season.

## On the Line

Leading our first-team offensive line is Ohio State tackle Korey Stringer, who just missed consensus All-America status last year when he made three first teams (Kodak, Walter Camp, and Scripps Howard) and was second-team on the Associated Press list. One of three juniors on the preseason first-team line, Stringer and defensive tackle

to repeat when he dislocated his kneecap and missed five games last fall. Robinson says Boselli "has the overall athletic ability to be an Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award winner. He's competitive, athletic, has great balance, and has devoted himself to being stronger."

The third junior on the first-team line is Florida's massive Reggie Green, a 6-6, 298-pounder who has started 24 games. The super-strong Green, who two years ago was called "the best freshman tackle I've ever seen in college football" by former Philadelphia Eagles coach Dick Vermeil, helped the Gators run up a Southeastern Conference record 472 points in 1993.

## For the Defense

On defense, three players off national champion Florida State's team lead the way, and one of those, linebacker Derrick Brooks, is intent on finding new ways to get better. That may be difficult to do. Brooks did about everything a player could do last year when he won consensus All-America honors, was named Defensive Player of the Year on the Football Writers' team, and was a finalist for both the Butkus and Lombardi awards. Brooks was so dominant the first half of the season that he outscored the Seminoles' first five opponents collectively 18-14 by himself. Even Brooks realizes it will be hard to score three touchdowns (two interception returns and one fumble return) again. But he still expects to be a better player after he surprised many observers in shunning the NFL to return for his senior year.

## Kevin Carter Florida



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### SECOND TEAM

#### Offense

OB	Steve Sienstrom	Sr	Stanford
RB	Brent Moss	Sr	Wisconsin
RB	Lee Bechtel	Sr	Notre Dame
WR	Kez McCorvey	Sr	Florida State
WR	Justin Armour	Sr	Stanford
TE	Mark Bruener	Sr	Washington
OL	Craig Shiver	Jr	Florida State
OL	Tony Berlin	Sr	Colorado
OL	John Jones	Sr	Kansas
OL	Tirrell Greene	Sr	Marshall
OL	Bryan Stoltzenberg	Jr	Colorado
PK	Michael Proctor	Jr	Alabama
KA	Mike Adams	Jr	Texas

#### Defense

DL	Chad Eaton	Sr	Washington State
DL	Tom Barndt	Sr	Pittsburgh
DL	Warren Sapp	Jr	Miami
DL	Regan Upshaw	Soph	California
LB	Brian Gezheiser	Sr	Penn State
LB	Jerrill Wilard	Sr	California
LB	Lorenzo Stiles	Jr	Ohio State
DB	Jeff Messenger	Sr	Wisconsin
DB	Tony Boute	Sr	Arizona
DB	Calvin Jackson	Jr	Auburn
DB	Ty Law	Jr	Michigan
P	Brad Faunce	Sr	UNLV

**Steve Sienstrom**  
Stanford

went for nine yards). NBC commentator Cris Collinsworth, a former standout wide receiver himself with the Cincinnati Bengals, was so moved by the performance that day that he called Mitchell "the best receiver I've ever seen in college football."

UCLA's Merten finished second in the country in field goals (20 in 25 attempts) as a freshman. His 800 success rate was tops among players with more than 20 attempts. He added 31 PATs for a total of 91 points, 14th in the nation.

At the other skill position on offense is Texas A&M's Leeland McElroy, who is Street & Smith's kick-return specialist. McElroy had Aggie fans drooling after a startling freshman season in which he led the nation in kickoff returns (39.3-yard average). McElroy took three of those kicks back for touchdowns, tying an NCAA record. Two of those came against Rice on consecutive kickoffs while the third went for 100 yards against Texas in an 18-9 Aggie victory. Though A&M had a stable of gifted, upperclassmen at running back, McElroy still managed to rush

Dan Wilkinson became the first Buckeye sophomore to win All-America honors since 1979. Wilkinson then opted for the NFL draft. Big Ten coaches not only selected Stringer on their all-league first team but also picked him as the conference's best offensive lineman. Ohio State coach John Cooper calls Stringer "the best young lineman I've ever coached."

Nebraska has another outstanding offensive tackle in 6-5, 300-pound Zach Wiegert, who also received All-America support a year ago. He won his second all-Big Eight selection last fall when he was credited with 73 "pancake" (knockdown) blocks as the Huskers finished third in rushing in the nation, averaging 287.9 yards per game.

Texas will move all-SWC tackle Blake Brockermeyer from the right side to the featured left-tackle position this year. The 6-5, 286-pounder junior has already started 22 straight games and is being compared with some of the school's legendary linemen.

Southern Cal's Tony Boselli made All-America two years ago and was on his way

"I want to be more of a leader this year," Brooks said. "My goal is to be a leader like Charlie [Ward] was. We could always look at Charlie when things were bad, and his whole presence brought us confidence. And I want to concentrate my efforts on being a better practice player, too. I want to be like former FSU All-America linebacker Marvin Jones. I want to practice harder and then show up on Saturday and give this team the attitude that we will win the game regardless of what we have to do."

Brooks, who was also a second-team Academic All-American with his 3.13 GPA in business communications, will be hard pressed to top his junior season. That's when he had 77 tackles, including seven for losses, blocked a punt, caused two fumbles, and recovered two others. Quite a year for a player who spent much of the second half of the season hobbled by a sprained ankle, a neck bum, and a fractured hand.

"The first thing I want to do is stay healthy and prove to the pro scouts that my body's not fragile," Brooks said. "I don't like people wondering if I'm injury-prone. The way I look

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**Napoleon Kaufman Washington**

at it, I'm 20 years old and I've been healthy 19 years of my life. And I've been playing football since I was eight years old.

Another Seminole, Derrick Alexander, a 6-5, 282-pound junior end, won mention on several All-American teams last year, including first team on the Football Writers'. Alexander had 100 tackles, including five sacks and 13 tackles for loss, despite the fact that most opponents ran away from him. In the Orange Bowl, Alexander had a whopping 11 tackles, eight of them solos.

The third FSU defender on our first team is senior cornerback Clifton Abraham, who played in the shadow of departed consensus All-America teammate Corey Sawyer last year. But this season Abraham switches from the "boundary" corner he has played



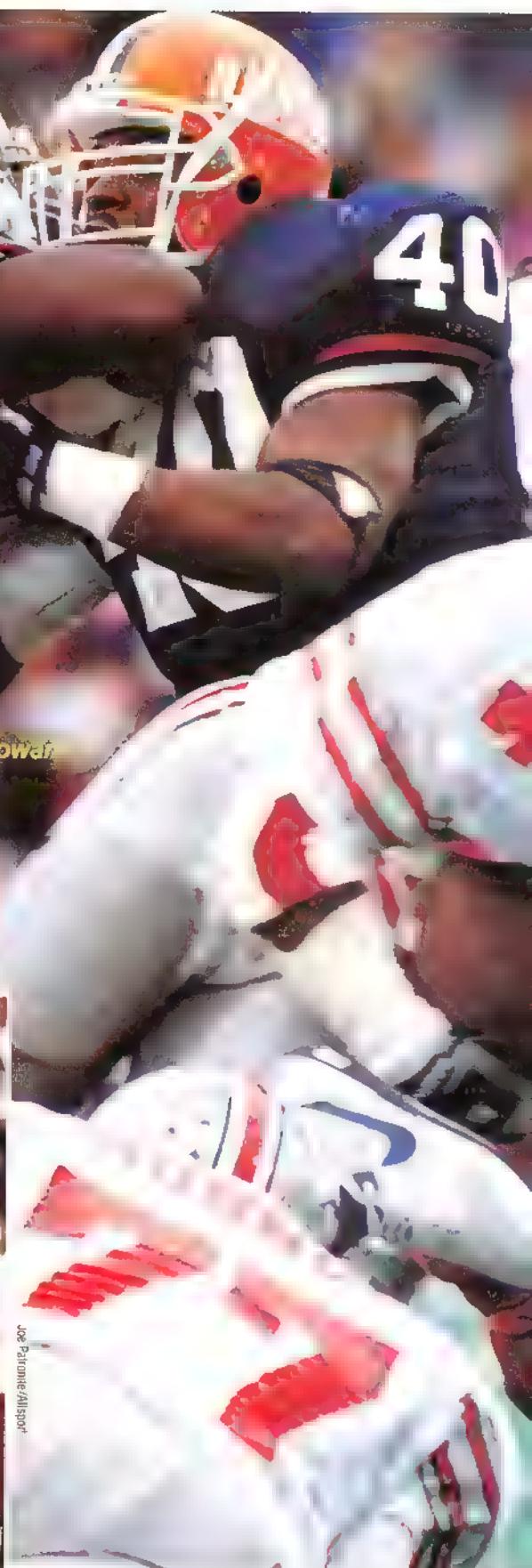
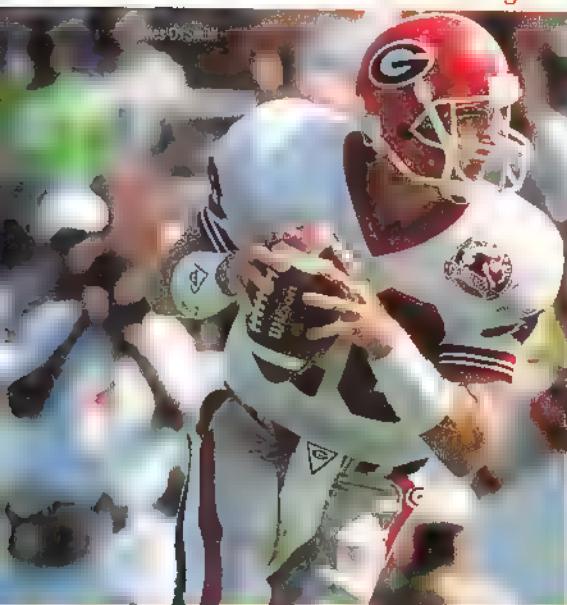
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the last two years to Sawyer's "field" corner position. Though Sawyer got much of the notice, insiders say Abraham actually made more big plays, scoring one touchdown on an intercept on return and two others on recovered blocked punts.

Notre Dame junior free safety Bobby Taylor saw consensus All-American Jeff Burris get much of the spotlight in the Irish secondary last fall. Some observers still thought Taylor might have been the better defensive back. He won a couple of first-team All-American selections himself and also was among the three finalists for the Thorpe Award. He had a season of big plays, leading Notre Dame in interceptions, with four, breaking up nine passes, blocking two field goals, and making a key third-down sack in the Michigan game.

**Eric Zeier Georgia**



Arizona, which finished second in the nation in total defense, has two players on the Street & Smith's first team. End Ted Bruschi and linebacker Sean Harris Bruschi, whose name is pronounced BREW-ski, worked setting up advertising displays for a beer company one summer. But on the field he's a sobering player, especially for quarterbacks. Bruschi had 19 sacks last year and a startling 27½ tackles for losses totaling 171 yards. He had at least one sack in every game, including the Fiesta Bowl, where he won MVP honors.

There was speculation that Harris would go pro after he won all-Pac-10 and was a semifinalist for the Bulkus award. While fans are glad he remained in school, he had 85 tackles, five sacks, caused two fumbles, recovered two others and intercepted two

passes last season.

Colorado also placed two players on our first team in cornerback Chris Hudson and tackle Shannon Clavelle. Hudson is a two-time all-Big Eight player who has seen time at free safety. He was among the finalists for the Thorpe Award when he had four interceptions and seven pass deflections. Hudson is fourth on the Buffaloes' all-time interception list (12). Clavelle made all-Big Eight last season when he had 74 tackles, including seven for losses, and returned an interception 43 yards against Kansas State.

Florida end Kevin Carter is the fourth ineman on our first team. He had 59 tackles, 1½ of them for losses, including 6½ sacks. The active 6-6, 271-pounder also had three forced fumbles, one fumble recovery, and a blocked field goal.

Dana Howard of Illinois rounds out the first-team linebacking crew. He led the conference with 123 tackles and was named the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year.

Unheralded Southwestern Louisiana safety Orlando Thomas tops off the first-team secondary. Thomas led the nation with nine interceptions last year as he helped SWL turn a 2-9 mark in 1992 into 8-3 last season. He was the Big West Conference co-Defensive Player of the Year and returned one of those interceptions for a touchdown.

The fourth returning consensus All-American is Auburn's booming punter, Terry Daniel. He averaged 42.6 per kick as a sophomore, then increased that to 46.9 (second in the nation) last year. The 6-1, 226-pound senior will be trying to improve on that number to win back-to-back All-American honors.

## Honorable Mention

### OFFENSE

#### Quarterback

Dave Barr Sr., California  
Darrel Bevell Jr., Wisconsin  
Todd Collins, Sr., Michigan  
Wayne Cook, Sr., UCLA  
Maurice DeShazo Jr., Virginia Tech  
Tommie Frazier Jr., Nebraska  
Jeff Hardy Sr., Missouri  
Chad May, Sr., Kansas State  
Mike McCoy, Sr., Utah  
Jay McDonagh, Jr., Western Michigan  
Shea Morenz, Soph., Texas  
Danny O'Neil, Sr., Oregon  
Jake Plummer, Soph., Arizona State  
Kordell Stewart, Sr., Colorado  
John Walsh, Jr., BYU  
Eric Zeier, Sr., Georgia

#### Running Back

James Allen, Soph., Oklahoma  
Mike Axtell Jr., Purdue  
Brandon Bennett, Sr., South Carolina  
Ku-Jana Carter, Jr., Penn State  
Oriwaun Carter, Sr., Arizona  
Ryan Christopherson, Sr., Wyoming  
Anthony Comer, Sr., Boston College  
Michael Davis, Sr., Mississippi State  
Warren Dunn, Soph., Florida State  
Yancey Edwards, Jr., Rice  
Prote Grier Jr., Utah State  
Brandell Jackson, Jr., Baylor  
Curtis Johnson, Jr., North Carolina  
Leon Johnson Jr., North Carolina  
Oscar Malone, Jr., Arkansas  
Curt Martin, Sr., Pittsburgh  
Rashaan Samuels, Jr., Colorado  
Junior Smith, Sr., East Carolina  
Rodney Thomas, Sr., Texas A&M  
Marquis Williams, Soph., Arkansas St.  
Moe Williams, Soph., Kentucky  
Sherman Williams, Sr., Alabama  
Terrell Wills, Soph., Rutgers  
J.Y. Young, Sr., Oregon State

#### Wide Receiver

Toby Gates, Sr., South Carolina  
Mil Coleman, Sr., Michigan State  
Lee DeRamus, Sr., Wisconsin  
David Dunn, Sr., Fresno State  
Bobby Engram Jr., Penn State  
Antonio Freeman, Sr., Virginia Tech  
Joey Galloway, Sr., Ohio State  
Eddie Gones, Sr., N.C. State  
Hasan Graham, Sr., Georgia  
Mercury Hayes, Jr., Michigan  
Jack Jackson, Jr., Florida

Dietrich Jeffer, Sr., Pittsburgh  
Chris T. Jones, Sr., Miami  
Jermaine Lewis, Jr., Maryland  
Kevin Lockett, Soph., Kansas State  
Derrick Mayes, Jr., Notre Dame  
Brian O'Very, Sr., Ball State  
Love Pinkney, Jr., Texas  
Frank Sanders, Sr., Auburn  
Mike Senior, Sr., Nevada  
Michael Westbrook, Sr., Colorado  
Billy Williams, Sr., Tennessee

#### Tight end

Kyle Brady, Sr., Penn State  
Brian Collins, Jr., TCU  
Christian Faure, Sr., Colorado  
James McKeever, Sr., Texas A&M  
Michael Roan, Sr., Wisconsin  
Wiley Tate, Sr., Oregon

#### Line

Mark Bruehmeier, Sr., Michigan State  
Barrett Brooks, Sr., Kansas State  
Reuben Brown, Sr., Pittsburgh  
Jell Buckley, Jr., Stanford  
Chris Cooley, Jr., Rice  
Johnny Fanga, Sr., Oregon State  
Chad Hammond, Jr., Colorado  
Shane Hannah, Sr., Michigan State  
Jell Hartings, Jr., Penn State  
Hess by Hempstead, Sr., Kansas  
Jimmy Herndon, Jr., Houston  
Jason James, Sr., Fresno State  
Greg Landry, Jr., Boston College  
Ryan Leahy, Sr., Notre Dame  
Joe Manaro, Sr., Michigan  
Patrck McNeil, Sr., Florida State  
Pat Meyer, Sr., Colorado State  
Bubba Miller, Jr., Tennessee  
David Milwee, Soph., Tulsa  
Owen Neill, Jr., Vanderbilt  
Jason Odom, Jr., Florida  
Jonathan Ogden, Jr., U.C.L.A.  
Andrew Peterson, Sr., Washington  
Matt Purdy, Jr., Iowa  
Cory Raymer, Sr., Wisconsin  
Shannon Roubique, Jr., Auburn  
Joe Rudolph, Sr., Wisconsin  
Jon Runyan, Jr., Michigan  
Jeff Smith, Jr., Tennessee  
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Brenden Sta, Sr., Nebraska  
Jon Stevenson, Jr., Alabama  
Jason Taylor, Jr., Auburn  
Mark Zalaveski, Sr., Notre Dame

#### Place-kicker

John Beckvoort, Sr., Tennessee  
Scott Blanton, Sr., Oklahoma  
Judd Davis, Sr., Florida  
Bill Manopoulos, Jr., Indiana

Kanon Parkman, Jr., Georgia  
Chris Richardson, Sr., Illinois  
Lawson Vaughn, Jr., Oklahoma State  
Nelson Welch, Sr., Clemson  
Marsha Young, Jr., UTEP

#### Kick returner

Eddie Kennison, Soph., LSU  
Desmond Thompson, Sr., UNLV

### DEFENSE

#### Line

Marcus Adair, Jr., Arkansas  
Buddy Billingsley, Soph., New Mexico  
Terry Connealy, Sr., Nebraska  
Luther Eells, Sr., Utah  
LeRon Glover, Jr., San Diego State  
Brian Hamilton, Sr., Notre Dame  
Kerry Hicks, Jr., Colorado  
Jim Hoffman, Sr., Arizona  
Cedric Jones, Jr., Oklahoma  
Mike Mamia, Jr., Boston College  
DeWayne Patterson, Sr., Washington State  
Mike Peiton, Sr., Auburn  
Troy Peterson, Sr., Iowa State  
Pat Riley, Sr., Miami  
Ed Rufus, Sr., Arkansas State  
Brent Scheiller, Sr., Wyoming  
Steve Shrahan, Sr., Bay or  
Mike Thompson, Sr., Wisconsin  
Michael Tobias, Sr., Southern Miss  
Willie Whitehead, Sr., Auburn

#### Linebacker

Ink Aleaga, Soph., Washington  
Anton Armstrong, Sr., Texas A&M  
Jeremy Asher, Jr., Oregon  
Chris Bardano, Soph., SMU  
Stephen Boyd, Sr., Boston College  
Ron Chidz, Sr., Washington State  
Gerald Collins, Sr., Vanderbilt  
Daren Covington, Sr., N.C. State  
Dwayne Curry, Soph., Mississippi State  
Dan Downs, Sr., Montana  
Matt Dyson, Sr., Michigan  
Don Edwards, Jr., UCLA  
Perce Gaskins, Jr., Kansas State  
Dan Godfrey, Sr., San Jose State  
Randal Godfrey, Jr., Georgia  
Justin Gonneen, Sr., Notre Dame  
Anthony Harris, Jr., Auburn  
Dwayne Harris, Sr., Nebraska  
Johnny Harrison, Sr., Air Force  
John Holecek, Sr., Illinois  
Jarett Irons, Soph., Michigan  
Abdu Jackson, Sr., Mississippi  
Kevin Johnson, Sr., Ball State  
Ted Johnson, Sr., Colorado  
Tim Jones, Sr., Clemson

Mark Libiano, Jr., East Carolina  
Darryl Major, Sr., Missouri  
Rohan Marley, Jr., Miami  
Jason Miska, Jr., Auburn  
Steve Morrison, Sr., Michigan  
Vince Palko, Sr., Bowing Green  
Ron Papazian, Sr., Fresno State  
Simeon Rice, Jr., Illinois  
Ed Stewart, Sr., Nebraska  
Ben Talley, Sr., Tennessee  
Zach Thomas, Jr., Texas Tech  
Chad Yocom, Sr., Wisconsin

#### Back

William Bennett, Jr., Northwestern  
Tony Evans, Soph., Kansas  
Alundis Bruce, Sr., Mississippi  
Devin Bush, Jr., Florida State  
Larry Bush, Jr., Oklahoma  
Chad Cota, Sr., Oregon  
Darius Cunningham, Sr., Pacific  
Joey Ellis, Sr., Texas  
William Ephram, Sr., Oregon State  
Carl Greenwood, Sr., UCLA  
Russell Hairston, Sr., Washington  
Wall Harris, Jr., Mississippi State  
Andrea Humphrey, Jr., Clemson  
Torey Hunter, Sr., Washington State  
Ken Irvin, Sr., Memphis  
DeRon Jenkins, Jr., Tennessee  
Tommy Johnson, Jr., Alabama  
Joe Kamara, Sr., Boston College  
Larry Kennedy, Sr., Florida  
Carl Kidd, Sr., Arkansas  
Chris Lewis, Sr., Baylor  
Michael Lowery, Jr., Mississippi  
Ray McKens, Jr., Texas A&M  
Barron Miles, Sr., Nebraska  
Singor Mobley, Sr., Washington State  
Greg Myers, Jr., Colorado State  
Craig Newsome, Sr., Arizona State  
C.J. Richardson, Sr., Miami  
Jeff Russell, Sr., Pacific  
Brandon Sanders, Jr., Arizona  
Sam Shade, Sr., Alabama  
Chris Shelton, Sr., Auburn  
Walter Taylor, Sr., Ohio State  
Rodney Watkins, Sr., SMU  
Tony Watkins, Sr., South Carolina  
Maurice Williams, Sr., Pittsburgh

#### Punter

Jim DeGuilio, Sr., Indiana  
Rob DeGnan, Jr., Purdue  
Bryne Diehl, Jr., Alabama  
Shayne Edge, Sr., Florida  
Gary Layton, Jr., Miami, OH  
Kyle Pooler, Sr., Missouri  
Todd Sauerbrun, Sr., West Virginia  
Darren Schager, Sr., UCLA  
Duane Vacek, Jr., Texas



# National Preview

**Michigan, behind Heisman candidate Tyrone Wheatley, looks to leap to the top of the Big Ten this fall.**



# Florida Is No. 1!

**Coach Steve Spurrier  
(with quarterback Danny Wuerffel)  
finally found a defense to stop the Gators'  
high-powered offense—his own!**

by RANDALL MELL FORT LAUDERDALE SUN-SENTINEL

Florida State coach Bobby Bowden's crowning achievement could have been his last as a college football coach. He could have walked away after winning that elusive first national title last season. At 64 he could have retired after 28 years as a head coach saying he has done it all. When the Seminoles defeated Nebraska 18-16 on New Year's night in the Orange Bowl, Bowden didn't feel like the triumph marked the end of any lifelong chase. He fell on top of his game and he felt the strong desire to stay there just as long as he can.

"If you win one national title, you want to," Bowden said. "If you win two, you want

three. That's the way life is in this business. The only way to enjoy it is to retire and look back, and I don't intend to retire."

But did he consider it even briefly, after reaching the pinnacle of his profession?

"No," Bowden snapped. "Never."

In fact, Bowden barely stopped to celebrate his first title. One of Bowden's assistants was on the telephone in a noisy, raucous locker room immediately following the Orange Bowl game, calling the top two high school recruits in Miami, Lamont Green a linebacker and Samari Rolle a receiver. Though the celebration was on, there was work laid into it. At 8 o'clock the next morn-



Allen Kee

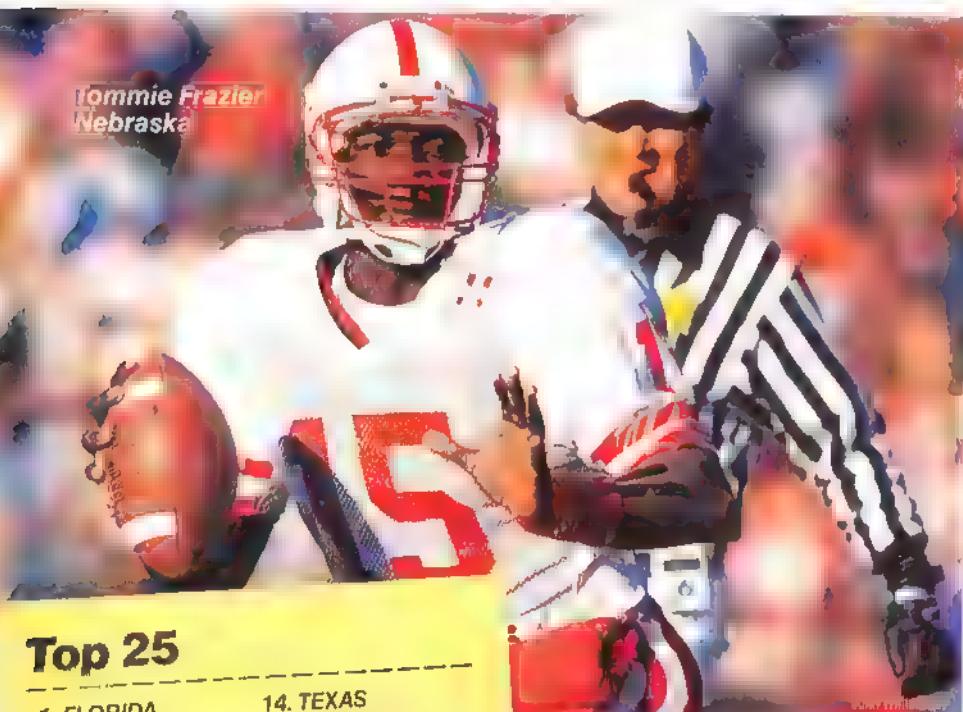
"A national championship was self-satisfying, but you move on," Bowden said. "I live day-to-day, year-to-year, and as long as I feel good, I want to continue. I'm not interested in retiring no matter how many championships we win. The way I've got it figured, after retirement there's only one big event left. And I'm not ready for that!"

Bowden's Orange Bowl triumph gave him 239 victories as a head coach, moving him past Ohio State's Woody Hayes and into fifth-place on the career list. Only Paul "Bear" Bryant (323), Amos Alonzo Stagg (314), Glenn "Pop" Warner (313) and Joe Paterno (257) have won more. He's won 12 straight bowl games and 13 overall, a total surpassed only by Bryant and Paterno.

The Seminoles achieved a unique double a year ago, leading the nation in scoring offense and scoring defense and no ACC rival came within 26 points of them. They could very well repeat; the loss of Ward notwithstanding. Tailback Warrick Dunn and wide receiver Kez McCorvey (74 catches) are back and the offensive line perhaps the best in school history returns four starters and two part-time starters, none of whom is a senior. Consensus All-American Derrick Brooks is a big-play performer at outside linebacker. After five games last fall he had personally outscored the FSU opposition 18-14. He is the key to the stalling defense in addition to eight league games. Florida State visits Miami and plays host to Notre Dame and Florida. If they come through that schedule unscathed, the Seminoles are certain to play for their second national championship on New Year's night.

Elsewhere in the Atlantic Coast Conference, North Carolina must replace 14 regulars including eight from the defense that was second in the league and 21st nationally. Quarterback Jason Staniček, who would have been the ACC Player of the Year if not for Ward, will do the unthinkable this fall and break Tar Heel legend Charlie "Choo Choo" Justice's longstanding record for total offense. Staniček needs just six yards for 4,000. Rejoining him in the backfield are Curtis and Leon Johnson, who combined for 2,046 yards and 28 TDs last season.

Staniček is not the only acclaimed quarterback in the ACC. Virginia features Symonion Williams, who set a Cavalier mark with



## Top 25

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| 1. FLORIDA         | 14. TEXAS          |
| 2. NEBRASKA        | 15. TENNESSEE      |
| 3. FLORIDA STATE   | 16. ALABAMA        |
| 4. MICHIGAN        | 17. UCLA           |
| 5. MIAMI           | 18. OKLAHOMA       |
| 6. NOTRE DAME      | 19. TEXAS A&M      |
| 7. ARIZONA         | 20. VIRGINIA TECH  |
| 8. PENN STATE      | 21. WASHINGTON     |
| 9. COLORADO        | 22. MICHIGAN STATE |
| 10. AUBURN         | 23. VIRGINIA       |
| 11. SOUTHERN CAL   | 24. OHIO STATE     |
| 12. WISCONSIN      | 25. CALIFORNIA     |
| 13. NORTH CAROLINA |                    |

ing. Bowden was in Green's living room chattering for two hours. He went from there to Rolle's house. "We hated to see him leave," Rolle's father, Harry, told the *Miami Herald*. He charmed the pants off us.

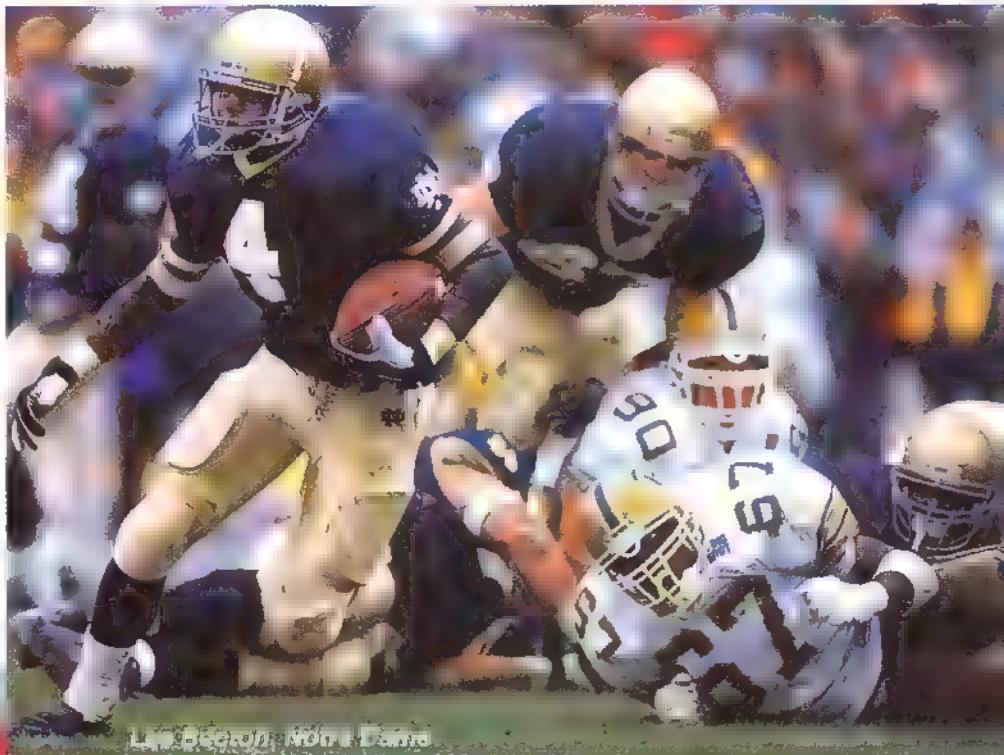
Bowden nabbed those two recruits an investment he hopes will lead to more FSU titles. One's great, but now the Tallahassee faithful wants to "repeat." The locals believe the Noles will definitely be better defensively this fall, and they might even be better overall despite the loss of Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Charlie Ward.

# National Preview

2,347 yards passing and 19 touchdowns in '93. Patrick Sapp returns at Clemson and Spence Fischer at Duke. But keep an eye on Maryland's Scott Milanovich, who completed 65 percent of his passes for 3,499 yards and 26 TDs.

Since Steve Spurrier's arrival in Gainesville, Florida has won 23 of 24 games at home (the lone loss came last season to Florida State). But last spring Spurrier finally found a defense that could stop the Gators' high-powered offense. His own. He welcomes back 15 regulars, including eight on defense and both kickers, plus quarterbacks Danny Wuerffel and Terry Dean from the squad that defeated Alabama in the Southeastern Conference championship game and demolished previously unbeaten West Virginia in the Sugar Bowl. Thus the Sunshine State could retain the national championship even if FSU falters.

To advance to the SEC title game, Florida must first get by Tennessee, which lost quarterback Heath Shuler to the NFL and gained the highly regarded Peyton Manning. The Volunteers' offensive line returns intact and may be the best in the country. Also in the



# National Preview

SEC East is Georgia, which has been a disappointment of late despite its talented recruits. The Bulldog offense begins with Z, as in Zeier, first name Eric. The senior quarterback and Heisman candidate threw for over 3,500 yards and 24 TDs last fall and holds 61 school and 11 conference records.

In the SEC West are Auburn, which returns 15 starters from an 11-0 team that enters the final year of an NCAA-imposed probation and is thus ineligible for the league title and bowl berth, and Alabama. The Crimson Tide will again be tough to score upon, but the offense has some unanswered questions. Namely, who will replace the four departed starters on the line plus receivers David Palmer and Kevin Lee both second-round NFL draftees, and who will be the quarterback? Will it be Jay Barker, who missed all of spring drills because of reconstructive knee surgery, or Brian Burgdorf, the MVP of the Gator Bowl? The schedule allows time for the offense to develop, with five of the first six games at home.

Miami is the third team from Florida that will contend for the national championship. The Hurricanes proved to be human a year ago, slipping out of the top 10 for the first time since 1984 after a 9-3 mark that included a 29-0 loss to Arizona in the Fiesta Bowl, their first shutout in 169 games. Dennis Erickson, whose five-year record of 53-7 includes two national titles, returns 13 starters, including nine of offense, but he will make another title run with defense. Tackles Warren Sapp could be the best in the land at his position, and he and his teammates are eager to reassert their superiority.

The highlights of the three-year-old Big East's first season of round-robin play featured the success of West Virginia, Boston College, and Virginia Tech. The surprising Mountaineers proved that a team other than perennial power Miami could win the league title. But the bubble burst on their second undefeated season in six years with a blowout loss to Florida in the Sugar Bowl. The Eagles beat Notre Dame in an unforgettable game in South Bend in November (in which their All-America tight end, Pete Mitchell, had 13 receptions) and finished the year with a 31-13 victory over Virginia in the Citrus Bowl. And the Hokies, 2-8-1 in 1992, could top last year's 9-3 record, which included a 45-20 triumph over Indiana in the Independence Bowl. Coach Frank Beamer claims to have "the best option quarterback in college football" in Maurice DeShazo, who accounted for over 2,200 yards in both passing and rushing in '93.

The richest crop of quarterbacks can be found in the West this fall. The early departure of the three biggest names in the WAC (Marshall Faulk, Trent Dilfer, and Darnay Scott) cleared the way for new stars. Brigham Young's John Walsh, Utah's Mike McCoy, and San Diego State's Tim Gutierrez each completed over 60 percent of his passes for more than 3,000 yards and 20 touchdowns last year. BYU (6-6) earned its fifth league title in a row and its 16th straight

bowl invitation but had its string of 19 consecutive years above 500 snapped at 19. The Cougars had the No. 2 offense in the nation but the No. 104 defense.

Steve Stenstrom of Stanford had 3,627 passing yards and 27 touchdowns in '93. Rob Johnson of USC had 3,630 yards and 29 touchdowns with six interceptions. Across town at UCLA, Wayne Cook passed for over 2,000 yards and 18 TDs and set a Pac-10 record with just three interceptions. At Arizona State, the first pass thrown by Jake Plummer, one of two "pure" freshman quarterbacks to start in major college football last fall, gained 78 yards and a touchdown. California's Dave Barr was No. 2 in the nation with a 164.5 pass-efficiency rating, the best ever in the Pac-10 and the 10th-highest mark in NCAA history. Yet the team to beat out west is Arizona, whose 10-2 record included a shutout of Miami in the Fiesta Bowl. The Wildcats do it with a dominating defense, led by end Tedy Bruschi and inside linebacker Sean Harris. Quarterback Dan White (9-1 as the starter) operates behind an all-senior line that returns intact.



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The Big Ten went 23-10 in nonconference games last season and sent seven representatives bowling. The league remains so strong that Wisconsin, which defeated



Susan Allen Camp

UCLA in the Rose Bowl and returns the bulk of its team might struggle to finish in the top three. The Badgers, who feature the third-most efficient quarterback in I-A in Darrell Bevell and a 1-2 punch of running backs Brent Moss and Terrell Fletcher, won't be able to sneak up on opponents this time.

Michigan beat Ohio State and Penn State and still wasn't a factor in the conference race. The Wolverines have added incentive this year. For the first time since 1988 they are not the defending Big Ten champion. Led by tailback Tyrone Wheatley, they hope to avoid the injuries that plagued them and build on their season-ending momentum victories over Ohio State (for the sixth year in a row) in the league finale and North Carolina State in the Hall of Fame Bowl.

Penn State quarterback Kerry Collins improved steadily after winning the starting job midway through last season. The Nittany Lions averaged 37.3 points in their final three wins, including a 31-13 decision over Tennessee in the Citrus Bowl. That was Joe Paterno's 15th bowl victory, tying him with Bear Bryant for the all-time lead. No. 16 could come on New Year's Day in Pasadena.

Notre Dame went 11-1 and pinned the only defeat on Florida State last November. But the Irish lost their chance for the national championship when Boston College's David Gordon booted a 41-yard game-winning field goal. Lou Holtz saw 10 of his players drafted by the NFL, so he simply reloaded. He expects to have Ron Powlus pulling the trigger on offense. The highly regarded quarterback was sidelined by a broken collarbone after he had won the starting job as a freshman last summer.

Big Eight defenses will be tested this fall because 59 offensive starters return in the conference. The line separating the first and second divisions is more clearly defined than it was a year ago. Oklahoma has the most talented running backs since its high-flying wishbone years, but the showdown on October 29 in Lincoln between Nebraska and Colorado should decide the league title and automatic bid to the Orange Bowl. Both teams have similar styles, with explosive quarterbacks directing wall-to-wall talent. Give a slight nod on offense to the Buffaloes but an overall edge to the Cornhuskers because of a unit that led the Big Eight in rushing, passing, and total defense.

The Big Eight will expand to 12 teams after the 1995 season with the addition of Texas, Texas A&M, Baylor, and Texas Tech. But for now, those four teams plus Rice, Texas Christian, Southern Methodist, and Houston compete in the Southwest Conference. The NCAA did what no SWC team could accomplish in the last two years when it sent A&M to the sidelines for rules infractions. With the Aggies ineligible for the league title, Texas steps into the spotlight. Quarterback Shea Morenz, coming off a record-breaking freshman year, has perhaps the best receiving duo in school history in Mike Adams and Lovell Pinkney, who combined for 99 catches for 1,594 yards and 12 TDs in '93.



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# deep south

by TOMMY HICKS and RANDALL MELL

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FORT LAUDERDALE SUN-SENTINEL

Even though some of its top players—Tennessee quarterback Heath Shuler, Auburn running back James Bostic, Alabama's multi-purpose threat David Palmer—skipped to the NFL a year early even though it has a team on NCAA probation and two more under investigation, and even though it had five bowl invitations and only four bowl qualifiers a year ago, this could be another big year for the Southeastern Conference. This is a conference accustomed to big years. It will be without question a year of movement within the league, those moves coming from several directions. It could also be the Year of the Gator.

The SEC championship game is moving from Birmingham's Legion Field to Atlanta's Georgia Dome, the site of the 1994 Super Bowl. Brad Scott has moved from the offensive coordinator's position for defending national champ Florida State to head coach at South Carolina. Auburn has moved from a team expected to struggle to the team with the longest winning streak (11 games) in Division I-A, led by a coach who has never lost a Division I-A game. It is a year in which Florida is expected to be a strong contender to win its second consecutive league crown and make a run at the national title. It is a year that could find schools such as Arkansas, South Carolina, and Kentucky making advancement in their programs.

This should be the year of the quarterback in the SEC with several top candidates in the position and some newcomers of merit. Georgia's Eric Zeier is considered a Heisman Trophy candidate. Steve Taneyhill of South Carolina has received plenty of attention, and Florida has two quarterbacks of merit—Terry Dean and Danny Wuerffel. Alabama has three quarterbacks seeking the starting role—Jay Barker's coming of knee surgery, Brian Burgdorf was the MVP of the Gator Bowl, and Freddie Kitchens had shoulder surgery in the spring. Auburn may be led by redshirt freshman Dameyune Craig or two-year backup Patrick Nix. Tennessee snared prep sensation Peyton Manning and LSU, which has the improved Jamie Howard signed the highly sought-after Josh Booty. Ole Miss coaches are raving about junior college transfer Josh Nelson who was named the No. 1 quarterback a week into spring drills and caused Lawrence Adams, the leading contender to change positions.

Florida is expected to win the East Division and claim its second straight SEC title

with Tennessee giving chase. Georgia is the No. 3 pick in the East followed by Kentucky, South Carolina, and Vanderbilt. Auburn can't win the SEC title or officially claim the West Division crown but it is expected to have the division's best record, with a strong push from non-state rival Alabama. Arkansas is the No. 3 pick in the West ahead of LSU, Mississippi State, and Ole Miss.

At least four teams—Florida, Tennessee, Auburn, and Alabama—are expected to garner top 25 consideration, with others possibly working into the mix. It is possible the SEC championship game will feature the same matchup it has had the previous two seasons: Alabama vs. Florida. Alabama won the first game en route to winning the national championship. Florida won last year's game and went on to defeat previously unbeaten West Virginia in the Sugar Bowl.

Most of the preseason hype belongs to the Gators who return 15 starters, including eight on defense and both kicking specialists. Since Steve Spurrier's arrival in Gainesville, Florida has lost only one game in The Swamp (last year's meeting with eventual national champ Florida State) and has been an offensive powerhouse. This fall, with a new defensive alignment and the eight returning starters, the Gators may have found the right mix to chase the national title.

## 1994 all-deep south team

### offense

Quarterback	Eric Zeier	SR	Georgia
Running back	Moe Williams	SO	Kentucky
Running back	Brandon Bennett	SR	South Carolina
Wide receiver	Jack Jackson	JR	Florida
Wide receiver	Brice Hunter	JR	Georgia
Tight end	David LaFleur	SO	LSU
Line	Jon Stevenson	SR	Alabama
Line	Jeff Smith	JR	Tennessee
Line	Jason Taylor	JR	Auburn
Line	Reggie Green	JR	Florida
Line	Owen Neal	JR	Vanderbilt
Pace-kicker	Michael Proctor	JR	Alabama

### defense

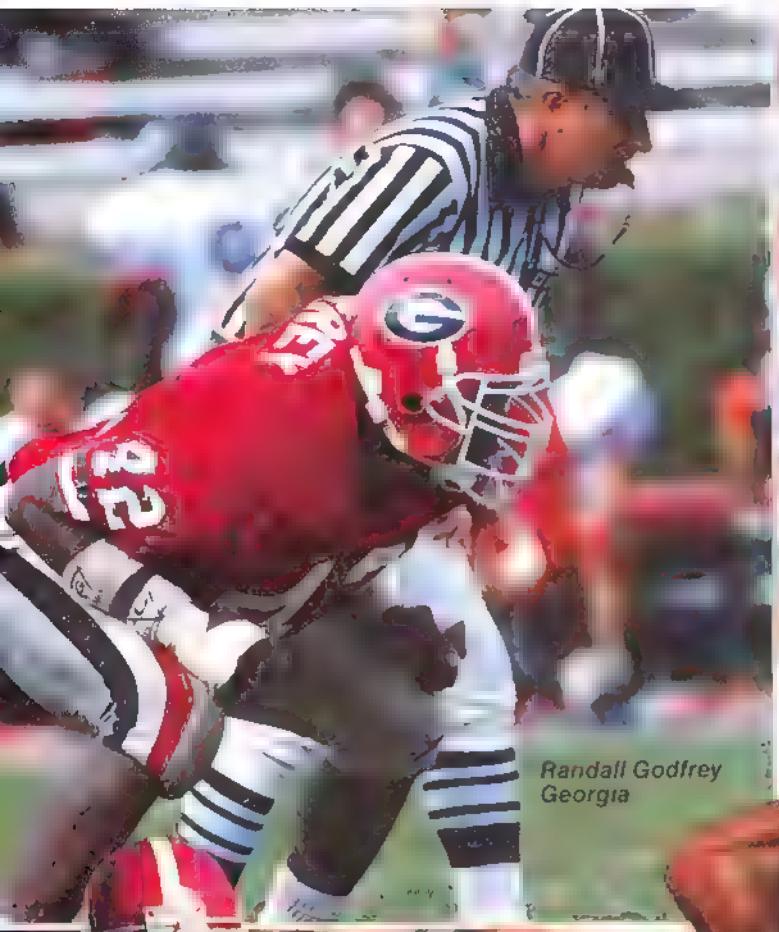
Line	Marcus Adair	JR	Arkansas
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Line	Mike Peiton	SR	Auburn
Line	Michael Tobias	SR	Southern Miss
Linebacker	Ben Talley	SR	Tennessee
Linebacker	White Whitehead	SR	Auburn
Linebacker	Randall Godfrey	JR	Georgia
Linebacker	Abdu Jackson	SR	Mississippi
Back	Sam Shade	SR	Alabama
Back	Calvin Jackson	JR	Auburn
Back	Larry Kennedy	SR	Florida
Back	Alundis Brice	SR	Mississippi
Punter	Terry Daniel	SR	Auburn



Danny Wuerffel  
Florida

Eric Zeier  
Georgia

Ben Talley  
Tennessee



# midwest

by ED SHERMAN CHICAGO TRIBUNE

**I**n 1992, the Big Ten was a joke. Only three teams qualified for bowl games, and even legendary coach Bo Schembechler had to admit that he never had seen the conference look worse. It wasn't the Big Ten, it was the Big Tin.

Last year, it was the complete opposite. The Big Ten became the Big Ton, with seven teams going to bowl games, the most of any conference. The league then went 4-3 in bowl play, including Wisconsin's victory over UCLA in the Rose Bowl. Suddenly, the Big Ten had gone from worst to best. "I think they're one of the top leagues," said ESPN's Lee Corso.

The Big Ten will be looking to make an even stronger statement in 1994. This could be a breakthrough season for few leagues return such an impressive array of talent. Michigan running back Tyrone Wheatley could be the leading Heisman Trophy candidate, but he'll get competition within his own conference from Wisconsin's Brent Moss, Ohio State's Joey Galloway, and Penn State's Bobby Engram. Top defensive players such as linebackers Dana Howard of Illinois, Lorenzo Styles of Ohio State, and Brian Gelzheiser of Penn State also are back. The Big Ten is so strong that Wisconsin, despite returning the bulk of its team, might have a struggle to finish in the top 3. The league could have three teams in the preseason top 10 national poll.

Can one or two years make such a difference? Apparently so. Last season, the Big Ten went 23-10 in nonconference play, its best in many years. That mark, coupled with the bowl success, was sweet redemption for the conference. "A lot of people said we had a down year in 1992," said Big Ten commissioner Jim Delany. "A lot of people are saying we were very good last year. The reality probably is somewhere in between."

The entrance of Citrus Bowl winner Penn State helped strengthen the conference, but the Nittany Lions weren't alone. Wisconsin was the league's best comeback story, but other teams, such as Michigan State and Indiana, also rebounded. The true barometer was Michigan. A preseason conference favorite, the Wolverines beat Ohio State and Penn State, but still weren't a factor in the conference race. "That shows the parity in the league," Delany said. "It shows there's a lot of life in the Big Ten."

A couple of things happened to spur the turnaround. Last year, some of its young

players grew up. "It was just a matter of some of these young players maturing," said Northwestern coach Gary Barnett. Also, for the first time, speed became a key word in the Big Ten's vocabulary. The conference now is starting to turn out quick, exciting big-play performers. "The recruiting got better," said Illinois coach Lou Tepper. "It started three of four years ago. The problem is, it doesn't show for a few years. Those kids are starting to step up now."

Now the Big Ten has to take it to the next level. This could be the year. The league race should be very exciting. Michigan once again appears to be the favorite, assuming it can avoid the injuries that plagued it at times last year. Penn State, though, will be right on the Wolverines' heels, along with Wisconsin. This is a crucial year for Ohio State coach John Cooper, who must deliver or else. Former Cooper assistant, Purdue coach Jim Colletto, also is under the gun. Illinois could be a dark horse. The Illini have the players, but they ran into inconsistency last fall. Michigan State also could make a run behind a strong offensive line.

As for Notre Dame, the Irish will pin their hopes on quarterback Ron Powlus. If he's half as good as advertised, he could be one of the best players ever in South Bend.

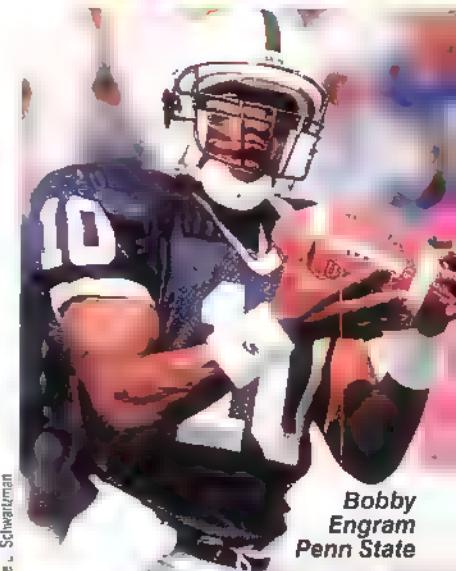
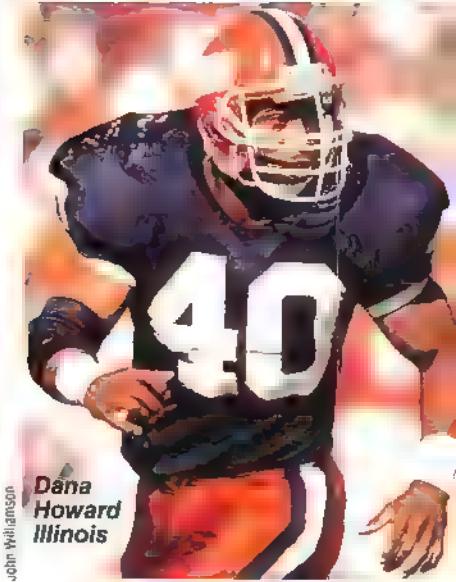
## 1994 all-midwest team

### offense

Quarterback . Todd Collins . SR . Michigan  
 Running back Tyrone Wheatley . SR . Michigan  
 Running back Brent Moss . SR . Wisconsin  
 Wide receiver . Joey Galloway . SR . Ohio State  
 Wide receiver . Bobby Engram . JR . Penn State  
 Tight end Kyle Brady . SR . Penn State  
 Line . Korey Stringer . JR . Ohio State  
 Line . Joe Rudolph . SR . Wisconsin  
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 Line . Cory Raymer . SR . Wisconsin  
 Line . Ryan Leahy . SR . Notre Dame  
 Place-kicker . Bill Manopoulos . JR . Indiana

### defense

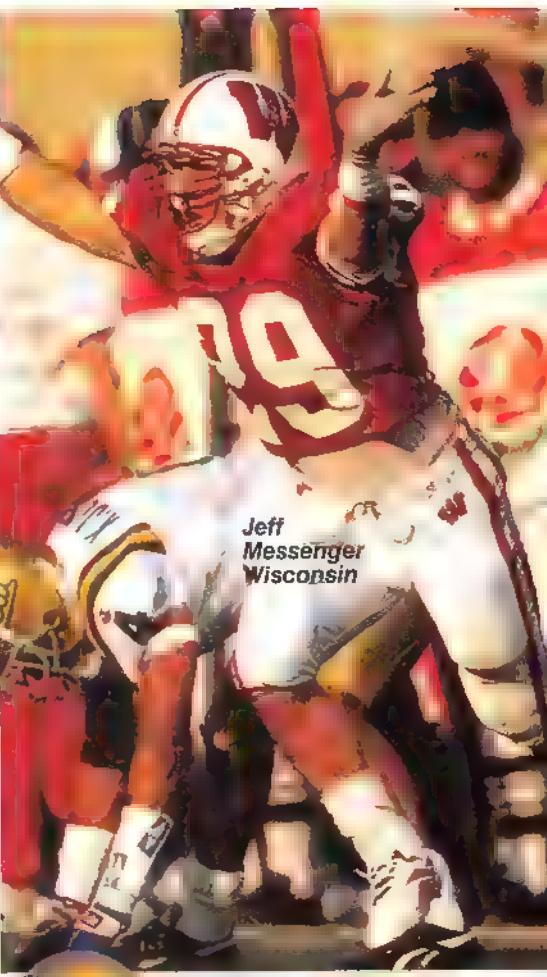
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 Linebacker . Brian Gelzheiser . SR . Penn State  
 Linebacker . Lorenzo Styles . JR . Ohio State  
 Back . Bobby Taylor . JR . Notre Dame  
 Back . Ty Law . JR . Michigan  
 Back . Jeff Messenger . SR . Wisconsin  
 Back . William Bennett . JR . Northwestern  
 Punter . Jim DiGuilio . SR . Indiana



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# big eight

by BILL CONNORS *TULSA WORLD*

Nebraska and Colorado should wage a battle this year for the Big Eight championship reminiscent of the flaming Oklahoma-Nebraska epics of the 1970s and '80s. Both teams are loaded on offense and feature outstanding quarterbacks. The winner of the r show down on October 29 at Nebraska should not only collect an automatic bid to the Orange Bowl, but contend for the national championship that the Cornhuskers narrowly lost to Florida State last year.

The edge goes to Nebraska to win its fourth straight title because Tom Osborne's teams always prevail when he has an experienced quarterback. Junior Tommie Frazier, who many thought outplayed Heisman Trophy recipient Charlie Ward in the Orange Bowl, is ready to become a star in his third year as the starter. Also, it appears Nebraska, for a change, has an edge on defense. The latter is critical. With every Big Eight team except Oklahoma returning its quarterback and a total of 59 offensive starters in the conference back, 1994 looms as a year that will tax defenses.

Colorado's makeup closely resembles Nebraska's. Quarterback Kordell Stewart starts for the third year and already owns most of the school's passing records. The Buffs have more potent all stars on offense than Nebraska and their defense is just slightly below the Cornhuskers level.

Oklahoma could give the conference a third top 10 possibility. The Sooners have had their best running backs since their high-flying wishbone years. Their defense surprisingly outstanding in late season and in a blowout of Texas Tech in the Sun Bowl ranks with Colorado's. The key to any chance the Sooners have of advancing higher than third is junior college quarterback Garrick McGee.

The line separating the big three of Nebraska, Colorado, and Oklahoma from the second division's more clearly defined this year. The balance in the Big Eight last fall was such that Nebraska had a harrowing time defeating last place Oklahoma State, Kansas State, Kansas, and Oklahoma in addition to Colorado. The Cornhuskers might very well have gone 2-5. In defense of their offense, Frazier and tailback Calvin Jones were hand capped by injuries during most of those struggling games. A fit Frazier in the Orange Bowl gave a clearer picture of Nebraska's potential for this season. With

Lawrence Phillips a sleek replacement for Jones, who skipped a chance to win his fourth scoring title and third rushing title by going to the NFL, Nebraska should win by representative scores this year. Osborne's faith in Nebraska's capability was illustrated when he agreed to play West Virginia in the Kickoff Classic. He approves of such games only when he thinks his team is a national contender.

Kansas State, last year's big surprise and winner of its first bowl game (over Wyoming in the Copper), figures to reach the first division again if quarterback Chad May, who led the conference in passing yards and touchdowns, recovers from a knee injury. May is ranked third among senior quarterbacks on some preseason NFL charts.

Kansas appears to be best of the rest, primarily because of tailback Charles Henley. Former Southern Cal coach Larry Smith will try to break Missouri out of a decade of losing. Iowa State could be the surprise of the second division. Oklahoma State seems doomed to its third consecutive conference record in four years.

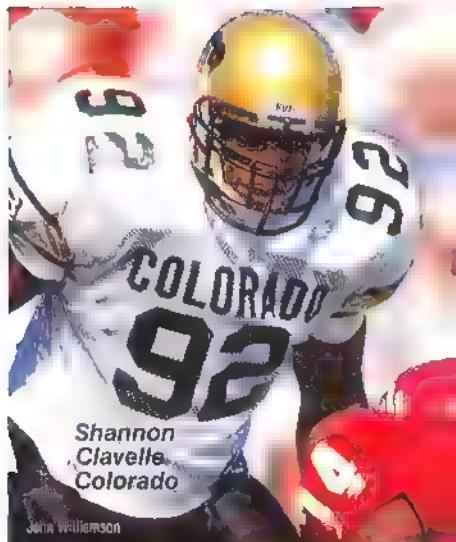
## 1994 all-big eight team

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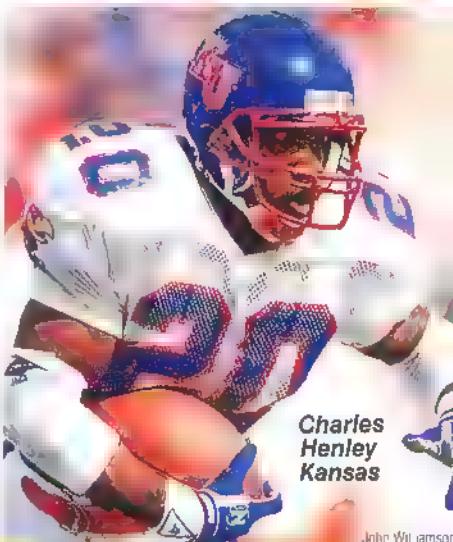
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Running back Charles Henley SO. Kansas  
Running back Rashaan Salaam JR. Colorado  
Wide receiver Kevin Lockett SO. Kansas State  
Wide receiver Michael Westbrook SR. Colorado  
Tight end Christian Fauna SR. Colorado  
Tackle Zach Wiegerl SR. Nebraska  
Tackle Harry Stamps JR. Oklahoma  
Guard John Jones SR. Kansas  
Guard Hessey Hempstead SR. Kansas  
Center Bryan Stoitenberg JR. Colorado  
Place-kicker Ty Stewart SR. Iowa State

### defense

Line Terry Connealy SR. Nebraska  
Line Cedric Jones JR. Oklahoma  
Line Shannon Clavelle JR. Colorado  
End Dwayne Harris JR. Nebraska  
Linebacker Ed Stewart SR. Nebraska  
Linebacker Darryl Major SR. Missouri  
Linebacker Mario Freeman JR. Oklahoma  
Linebacker Ted Johnson SR. Colorado  
Back Chris Hudson SR. Colorado  
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Back Barron Miles SR. Nebraska  
Punter Kyle Poole SR. Missouri



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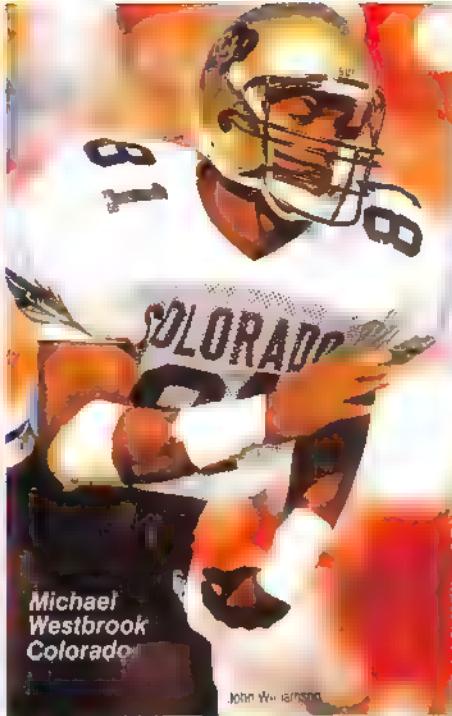
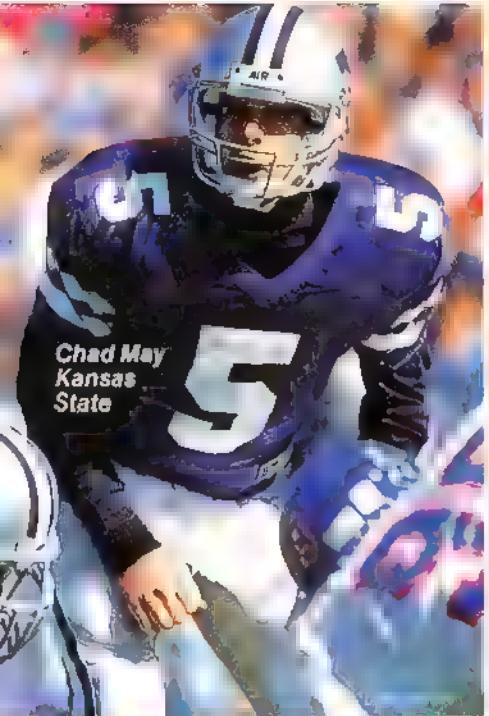


Charles Henley  
Kansas



Kordell Stewart  
Colorado

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# west

by DWIGHT CHAPIN SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER

You may not be able to tell the top quarterbacks in the Pac-10 without a scorecard this season. Almost every team seems to have one. It may be the richest crop in Pac-10 history, and that's saying something for a conference that has turned out three Heisman Trophy winners at the position. Oregon State's Terry Baker, UCLA's Gary Beban, and Stanford's Jim Plunkett. There is Heisman Trophy and All-America talk all over the place again in the West. USC is touting its senior quarterback, Rob Johnson. Stanford is doing the same thing for senior Steve Stenstrom. Cal is trumpeting senior Dave Barr.

"Johnson has a chance to develop into a great player," USC coach John Robinson said. "Sure, he is a leading candidate for the Heisman. But more important to our team he can be the total quarterback by giving us the winning edge that great players in that position can provide." Last season, Johnson, an all-Pac-10 first-team selection, completed 308 of 449 passes for 3,630 yards and 29 touchdowns, and was intercepted just six times. In the process, he set 10 Pac-10 and school records. "His accuracy is phenomenal and his interception rate is amazing," said Robinson. "If he can maintain those skills and improve his play, we're looking at a special player."

Stanford coach Bill Walsh, who has worked with a top quarterback or two, feels much the same way about Stenstrom. "Steve has proven to be one of the very best in college football," Walsh said. "He is mastering our system and with the support of his teammates he could become the best quarterback in the nation." In 1993 Stenstrom set four school passing marks, tied a fifth and established three conference records. He completed 300 of 455 passes for 3,627 yards and 27 TDs.

Across San Francisco Bay, Cal's Barr was compiling some equally stunning numbers despite a lack of fanfare. All Barr did was have the 10th-best passing season in NCAA history with a 164.5 efficiency mark, which ranked him No. 2 for the year behind Fresno State's Trent Dilfer. It was the best ever in the Pac-10. Barr completed 208 of 303 passes for 2,885 yards and 24 touchdowns. "He's

the complete package," Cal coach Keith Gilbertson said. "Dave has proven he can win for us with his arm, his intelligence, and his savvy with the game on the line. He's as good as there is in college football this year. No question."

But the lofty talk in the Pac-10 is not just about quarterbacks. UCLA wide receiver J.J. Stokes unquestionably is a leading Heisman Trophy candidate. He was seventh in the voting last year, the highest of any returning player. A unanimous All-American, Stokes has the ability to dominate a game.

Then there is Washington's senior tailback Napoleon Kaufman, another Heisman candidate. "He's like a rocket," UCLA coach Terry Donahue said. "Every time he touches the ball, you're nervous because he's coming at you with so much speed."

With talent like that around, it could well be a season to remember in the Pac-10.

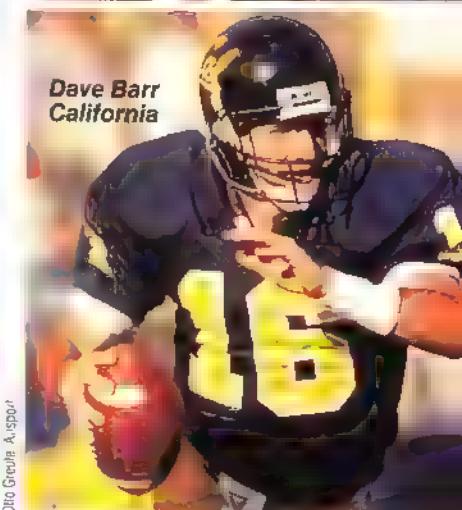
## 1994 all-west team

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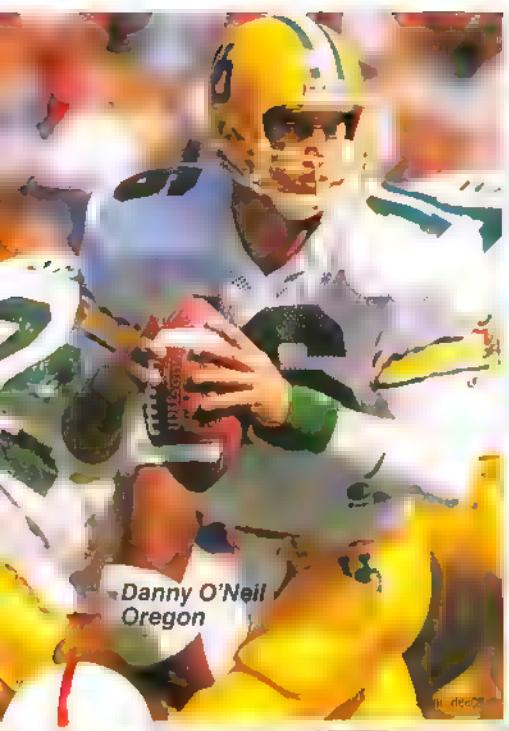
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Running back	Napoleon Kaufman	.SR	Washington
Running back	J.J. Young	.SR	Oregon State
Wide receiver	J.J. Stokes	.SR	UCLA
Wide receiver	Justin Armour	.SR	Stanford
Tight end	Mark Bruener	.SR	Washington
Line	Warner Smith	.SR	Arizona
Line	Tony Boselli	.SR	USC
Line	Steve Hardin	.SR	Oregon
Line	Derek Shadice	.JR	Northern Illinois
Line	Johnny Fanga	.SR	Oregon State
Place kicker	Bjorn Merten	.SD	UCLA

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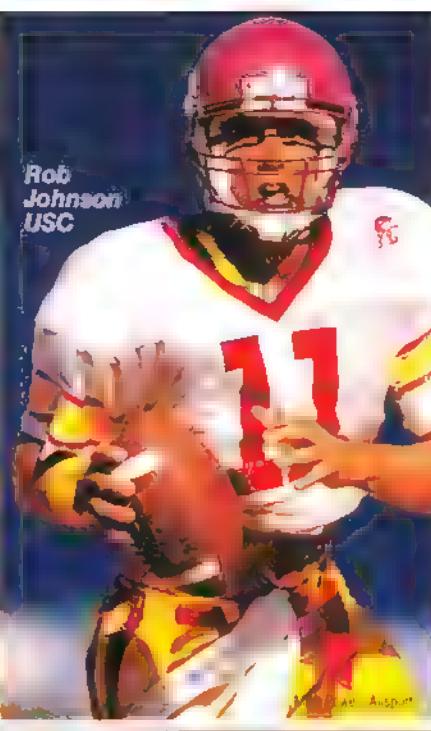
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Line	DeWayne Patterson	.SR	Washington State
Linebacker	Sean Harris	.SR	Washington State
Linebacker	Jerrell Ward	.SR	Arizona
Linebacker	Ron Crider	.SR	Washington State
Linebacker	Patrice Alexander	.SR	SW Louisiana
Back	Craig Newsome	.SR	Arizona State
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Back	Orlando Thomas	.SR	SW Louisiana
Back	Chad Cola	.SR	Oregon
Punter	Darren Schager	.SR	UCLA



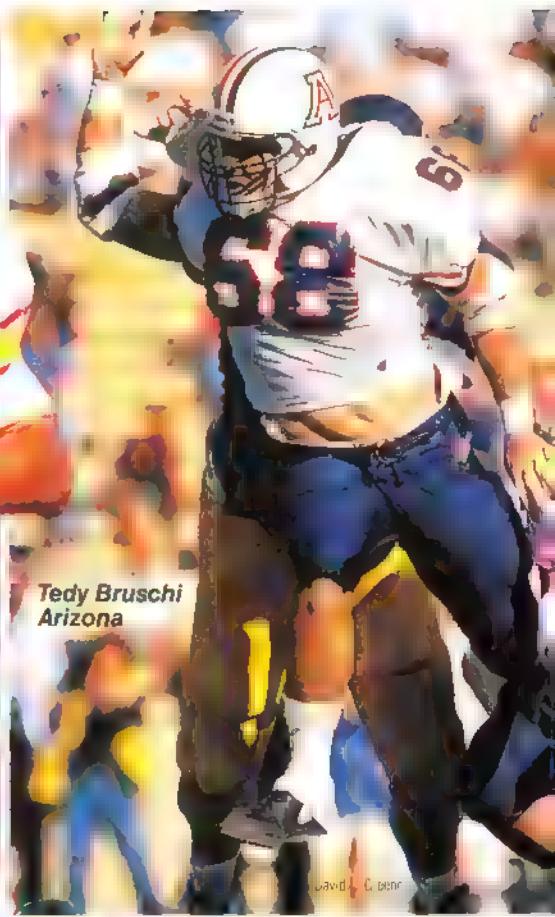
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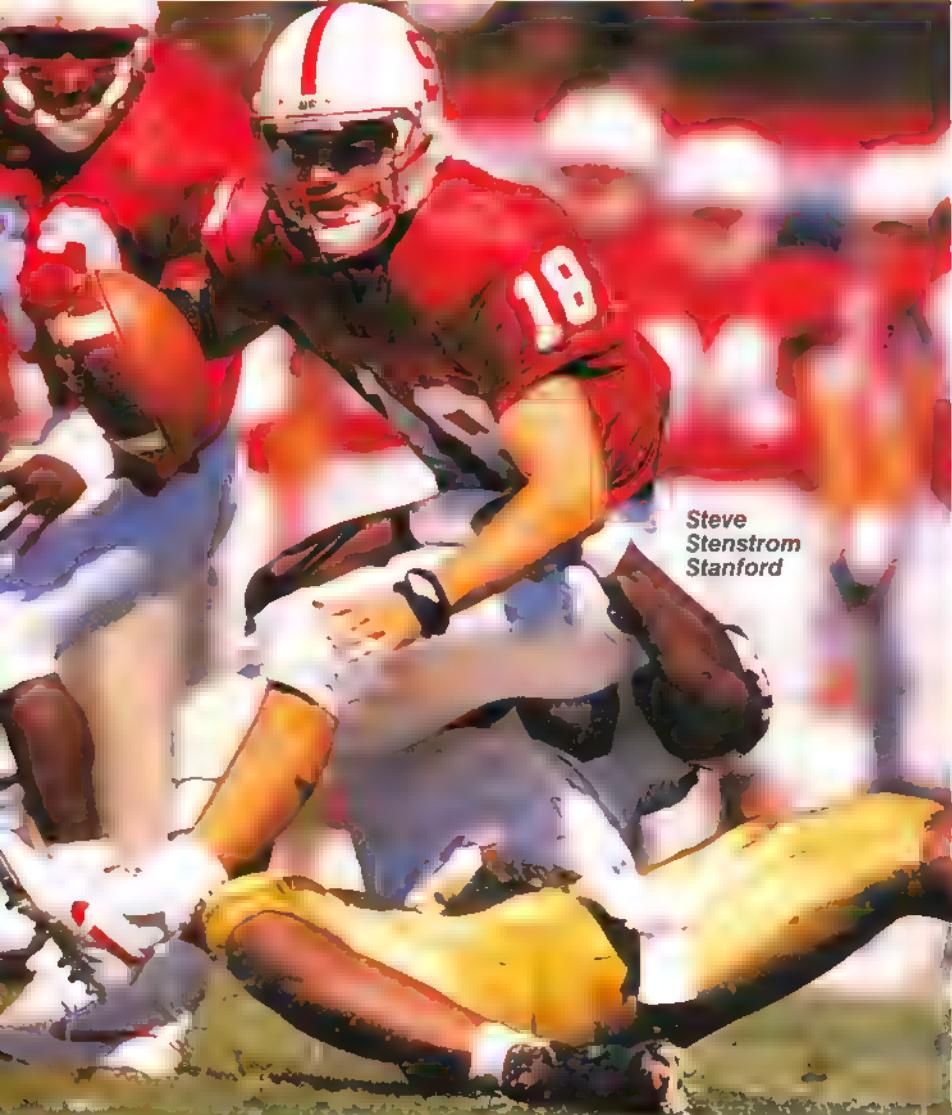
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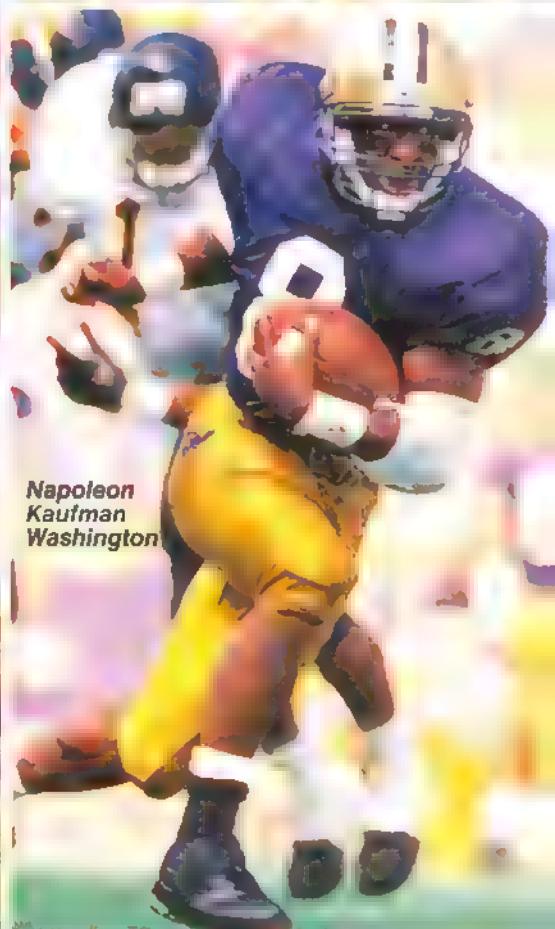
Rob  
Johnson  
USC



Tedy Bruschi  
Arizona



Steve  
Stenstrom  
Stanford



Napoleon  
Kaufman  
Washington

# atlantic coast

by BOB SPEAR THE (COLUMBIA) STATE

When Florida State was admitted into the Atlantic Coast Conference, detractors predicted that the league would become college football's version of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. The Seminoles and the Eight Pretenders, one cynic wrote. The coaches disagreed. They vowed that Florida State's high-powered program would find tough sledding in a conference best known for its basketball.

The coaches were wrong. The competition has developed into a more one-sided affair than the biggest critics could imagine. Indeed, coach Bobby Bowden's powerhouse has seldom been challenged in 16 league games, winning them all by an overwhelming 679-173 margin. The average score is 42.4-10.8, hardly the basis of competition. Bowden wows opponents with offense and crushes them with defense. Rivals cannot match his team's speed, which enabled the Seminoles to pull off a remarkable double in 1993. They led the nation in scoring offense and scoring defense.

They can't do that again, can they? Not likely. All-everything quarterback Charlie Ward is gone and the "fast-break" offense that rewrote the ACC record book en route to the Seminoles' first national championship won't be so potent. But the defense remains wicked and the offensive line could be the school's best ever. Ward's backup, junior Danny Kanell, merely threw for 341 yards and five touchdowns in his only start last season. Both Clemson and Georgia Tech gave Florida State fits in 1992, but no league team played the Seminoles closer than 26 points a year ago. Bowden talks of the ACC being much stronger in 1994, and perhaps he is right. But the improvement will come from the lower tier of teams. The chief challengers, North Carolina and Virginia, will be breaking in new offensive lines, hardly the way to overhaul the Seminoles.

"It's going to be tougher and tougher to keep that ACC string alive," Bowden said. Don't count on the streak ending this year. The scores might be closer, which will be a step in the right direction. And the other teams will be more competitive—among themselves. But the ACC champion will remain the same.

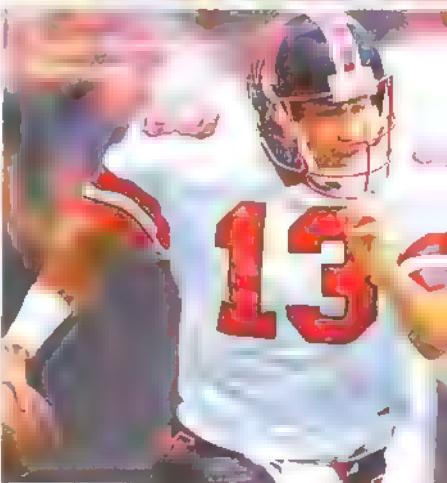
## 1994 all-atlantic coast team

### offense

Quarterback	Jason Stanicek	SR	North Carolina
Running back	Junior Smith	SR	East Carolina
Running back	Curtis Johnson	JR	North Carolina
Wide receiver	Kez McCorvey	SR	Florida State
Wide receiver	Eddie Goines	SR	N.C. State
Tight end	Greg DeLong	SR	North Carolina
Tackle	Steve Ingram	SR	Maryland
Tackle	Matt Williams	SR	Duke
Guard	Lewis Tyre	JR	Florida State
Guard	Brian Bravy	SR	Georgia Tech
Center	Clay Shiver	JR	Florida State
Place-kicker	Steve Vidich	SR	N.C. State

### defense

Line	Derrick Alexander	JR	Florida State
Line	Mike Frederick	SR	Virginia
Line	Marcus Jones	JR	North Carolina
Linebacker	Damien Covington	SR	N.C. State
Linebacker	Tim Jones	SR	Clemson
Linebacker	Derrick Brooks	SR	Florida State
Linebacker	Mark Libiano	JR	East Carolina
Back	Clinton Abraham	SR	Florida State
Back	Andre Humphrey	JR	Clemson
Back	Ray Farmer	JR	Duke
Back	Jimmy Hitchcock	SR	North Carolina
Punter	Scott Milanovich	JR	Maryland





Derrick Brooks  
Florida State



Clifton Abraham  
Florida State

Tomasso DeRosa



Eddie Goines  
North Carolina State



Jason Starnes  
North Carolina

# southwest

by IVY McLEMORE

One can only wonder how such Southwest Conference icons as Jess Neely, D.X. Bible, and Matty Bell would have greeted the news. Torn apart by a series of NCAA scandals that left few member schools unscathed and rendered somewhat of a geographic anachronism by current television marketing standards, the SWC will begin its next-to-last farewell tour this fall. Shortly after Texas, Texas A&M, Baylor, and Texas Tech agreed to join an expanded Big Eight, Rice, Texas Christian, and Southern Methodist were embraced by the Western Athletic Conference in a series of moves that left only Houston searching for a new conference affiliation. Southwest Conference football will cease to exist after the 1995 season, ending a long, colorful history.

Although the conference officially has entered lame-duck status, it will crown a new champ on this fall. The NCAA accomplished a feat no other SWC member has been able to achieve the last two years when it sent Texas A&M to the sidelines as a result of rules violations. The Aggies will not be eligible for the conference championship and have been banned from a bowl appearance in 1994, creating a mad scramble for the annual Cotton Bowl berth that is awarded to the eventual SWC winner.

Texas, Baylor, and Texas Tech appear to be the best chance of ending A&M's stranglehold. The Longhorns have had two seasons to learn coach John Mackovic's system and might be ready to reach a level of play Texas fans have only dreamed about in recent years. A big-play offense and a consistent defense once again could become trademarks on the Forty Acres this fall. Baylor also should make strides with the return of all 11 starters on defense. The Bears' chances of receiving a bowl bid could rest on how much improvement is made on offense. Texas Tech's situation resembles that of the Bears, as both teams must find new quarterbacks. The Red Raiders would like nothing better than to win their first SWC title before the league disbands.

Although the Aggies will be little more than spoilers in this year's conference race,

they have more than adequate talent to extend their 22-game SWC winning streak. A&M might lack the overpowering running game and punishing defense that have become synonymous with its football program over the last decade, but the Aggies have ample firepower to determine the eventual conference champ.

The only coaching change in the SWC during the past year occurred at Rice, where Ken Hatfield returns to the conference to take over an Owls team that had posted back-to-back winning seasons under Fred Goldsmith. Rice might contend for a bowl bid if the team's new option offense becomes an instant hit.

The most hotly contested race involving Houston, TCU, and SMU likely will be to see which teams can avoid a last-place finish. All three programs will be striving to make considerable progress after combining to yield an average of 29 points per game a year ago. Whatever happens this fall, the SWC's penultimate farewell tour should be an interesting one.

## 1994 all-southwest team

### offense

Quarterback Shea Morenz SO Texas  
Running back Rodney Thomas SR Texas A&M  
Running back Leeland McElroy SO Texas A&M  
Tight end Brian Collins JR TCU  
Wide receiver Lovell Pinkney JR Texas  
Wide receiver Michael Adams JR Texas  
Tackle Blake Brockermeier JR Texas  
Tackle Jimmy Herndon JR Houston  
Guard Will Davidson SR Baylor  
Guard Chris Cooley JR Rice  
Center Scott Fitzgerald SR Texas Tech

### defense

Line Steve Strahan SR Baylor  
Line Tony Brackens SO Texas  
Line Royal West SR TCU  
Line Larry Jackson JR Texas A&M  
Linebacker Zach Thomas JR Texas Tech  
Linebacker Marcus Coleman Texas Tech  
Linebacker Antonio Armstrong SR Texas A&M  
Back Rodney Walkins SR SMU  
Back Joey Ellis SR Texas  
Back Ray Mickens JR Texas A&M  
Back Chris Lewis SR Baylor

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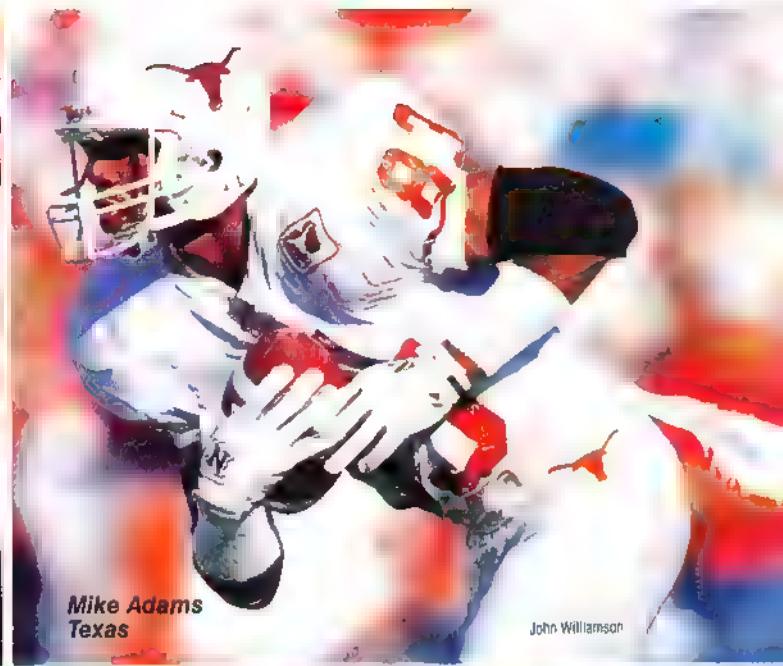
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Texas Tech



Leeland  
McElroy  
Texas A&M



Antonio Armstrong  
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John Williamson



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Thomas  
Texas A&M

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# east

by MICKEY FURFARI THOMSON NEWSPAPERS

You might say the Big East arrived in 1993. Surprising West Virginia proved that a team other than perennial power Miami can capture the conference championship. And Boston College rose up and knocked off No. 1 Notre Dame in a 41-39 thriller at South Bend. Those two developments highlighted the three-year-old league's first season of round robin play.

Miami should reassert its superiority this year, though. The Hurricanes, Big East champions in 1991-92, return nine starters on offense and four on defense. Most coaches would be happy with a 9-3 mark and a New Year's Day bowl appearance, but not Dennis Erickson. That result was deeply disappointing to the Miami mentor, whose five-year record of 53-7 includes two national championships.

West Virginia is in the process of a major overhaul after its second undefeated season in six years. The Mountaineers, 17-14 winners over Miami, also snared the Lambert/Meadowlands Trophy symbolic of Division I-A supremacy in the East. But Florida dealt them a 41-7 drubbing in the Sugar Bowl. Coach Don Nehiem now must baptize a young team against Nebraska, last year's only other unbeaten team during the regular season, in the Kickoff Classic on August 28.

Virginia Tech expects to challenge for the Big East title. The Hokies could top last year's 9-3 resurgence including an upset of Indiana in the Independence Bowl. All-star candidate Maurice DeShazo is the league's most prolific quarterback. The Hokies also have 13 other returning starters.

Boston College lost all-Big East quarterback Glenn Foley but returns most of its other regulars from a 9-3 team. The Eagles have a completely new coaching staff, however. Dan Henning took over in March after Tom Coughlin left for the NFL along with six assistants.

Coach Paul Pasqualoni must plug several huge holes at Syracuse after last year's unexpected 6-4-1 skid. The biggest task is replacing Marvin Graves, who owns nearly all of the school's offensive records.

Rutgers moves into a renovated stadium with expanded seating as the Scarlet Knights attempt to reverse an injury-marred

4-7 showing. Coach Doug Gruber still has quarterback Ray Lucas and a pair of excellent tailbacks. Johnny Majors with 20 hold-over starters, anticipates some improvement at Pittsburgh. So does Ron Dickerson at Temple. Both are second-year head coaches who experienced frustrating debuts a year ago.

The Big East no longer is loaded with outstanding quarterbacks. Running backs now appear to be the conference's marquee players. Terrel Williams of Rutgers, Curtis Martin of Pittsburgh, Robert Walker of West Virginia and Dwayne Thomas of Virginia Tech all topped 1,000 yards rushing in '93. Bruce Presley of Rutgers, James Stewart and Larry Jones of Miami, Ralph Mack of Temple, David Green of Boston College, Kirby Dar Dar of Syracuse, and Tommy Edwards of Virginia Tech are other strong runners.

Meanwhile, Navy looks for smoother sailing in search of its first winning season in many years. Army is rebounding after going 6-5. Both I-A independents have productive quarterbacks.

## 1994 all-east team

### offense

Quarterback Maurice DeShazo SR. Virginia Tech  
 Running back Terrel Williams SO. Rutgers  
 Running back Curtis Martin SR. Pittsburgh  
 Wide receiver Chris T. Jones SR. Miami  
 Wide receiver Damon Dixon SR. Navy  
 Wide receiver Antonio Freeman SR. Virginia Tech  
 Tight end Pete Mitchell SR. Boston College  
 Line. Terrell Greene SR. Miami  
 Line. Tom Robsock SR. West Virginia  
 Line. Melvin Tuften SR. Syracuse  
 Line. Greg Landry JR. Boston College  
 Line. Reuben Brown SR. Pittsburgh  
 Place-kicker David Gordon SR. Boston College

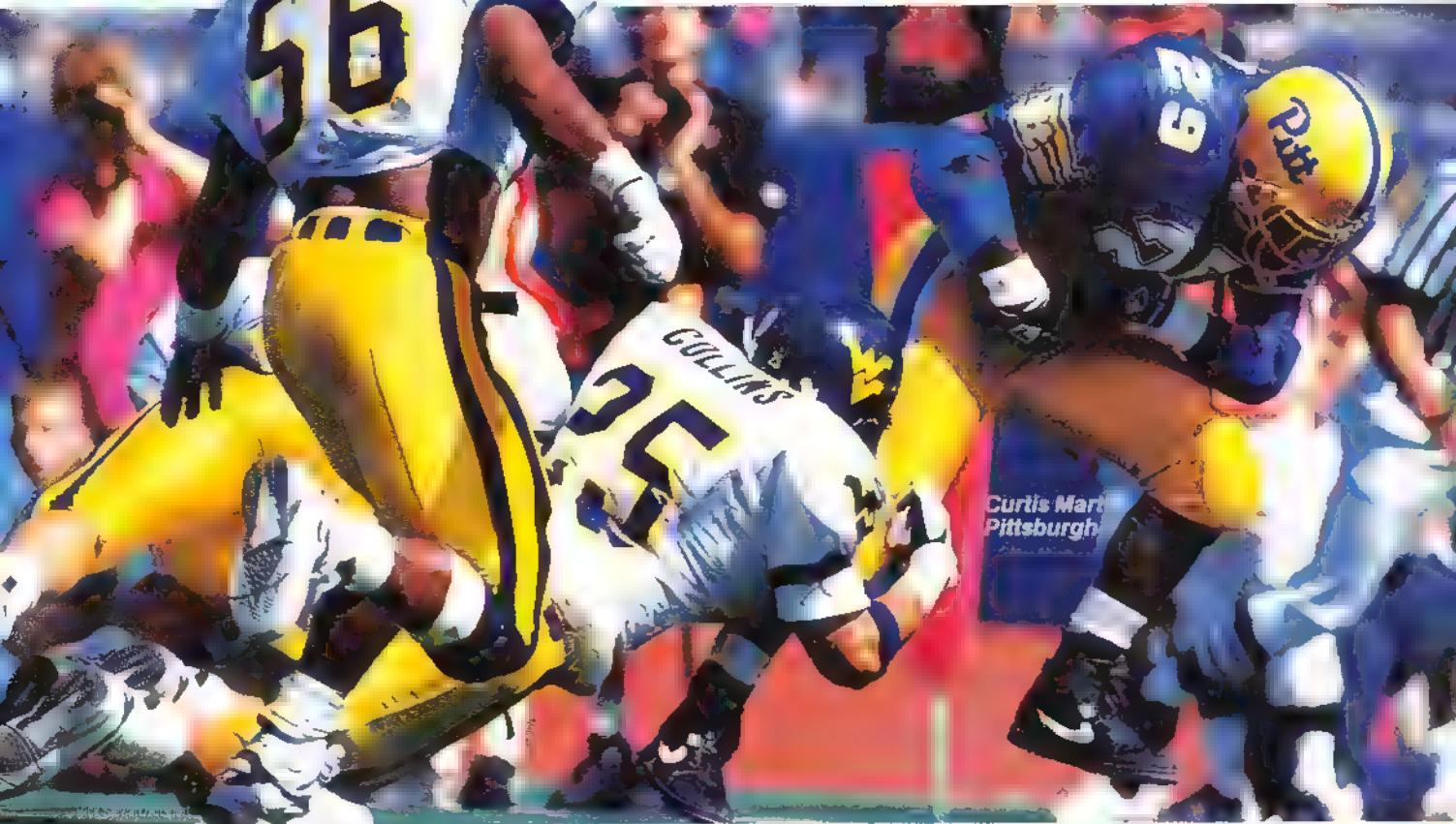
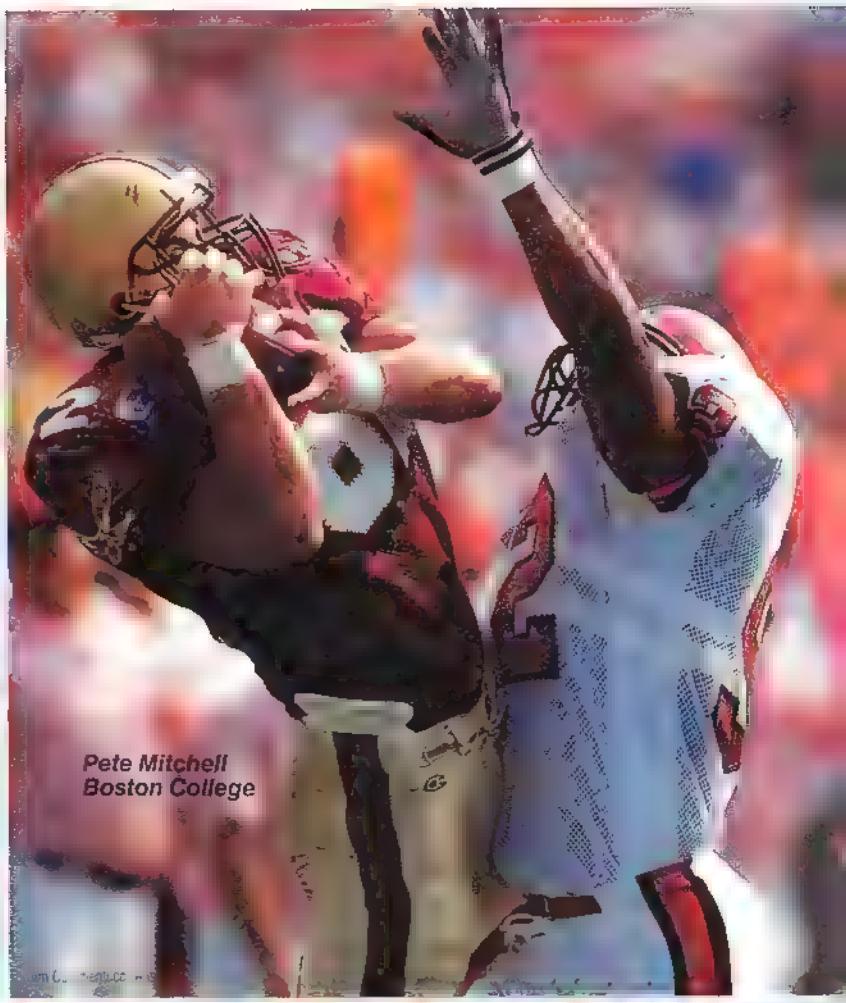
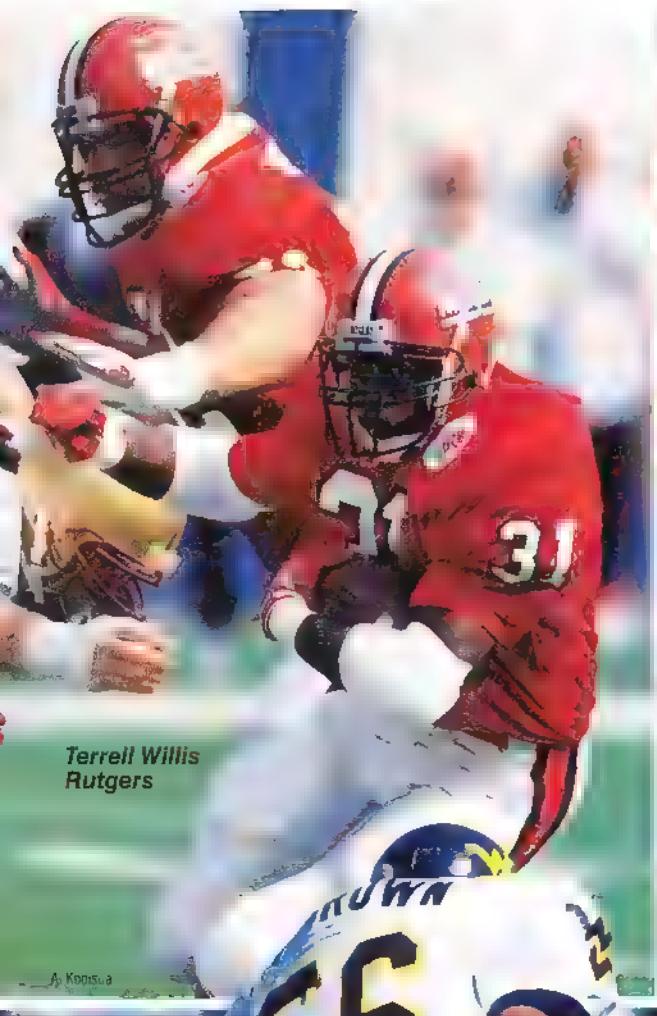
### defense

Line Barry Hawkins SR. West Virginia  
 Line Warren Sapp JR. Miami  
 Line Tom Barnot SR. Pittsburgh  
 Line Pat Riley SR. Miami  
 Linebacker Rohan Marley JR. Miami  
 Linebacker Stephen Boyd SR. Boston College  
 Linebacker Tom Tumulty JR. Pittsburgh  
 Linebacker Ken Brown SR. Virginia Tech  
 Back Joe Komara SR. Boston College  
 Back CJ Richardson SR. Miami  
 Back David Mayfield SR. West Virginia  
 Back Tony Jones SR. Syracuse  
 Punter Todd Sauerbrun SR. West Virginia



**Tom Tumulty**  
**Pittsburgh**





# rockies

by LEE BENSON SALT LAKE CITY DESERET NEWS

The early departure of the league's three biggest names has left the Western Athletic Conference with a wide-open marquee, not to mention a league race going into the 1994 season. San Diego State running back Marshal Faulk, Fresno State quarterback Trent Diller, and San Diego State wide receiver Darnay Scott could have been seniors this year vying for the Heisman Trophy, but all three cashed in their final year of eligibility due to the sincerest form of football flattery promises from the NFL that they'd go high in the draft. As advertised, they indeed went high. Faulk was the No. 2 player taken, Diller was No. 6, and Scott was No. 29.

The WAC didn't know whether to be sad or depressed. Graduating three of its own that high in the pro draft reflected nicely on the league. That was the good news. The bad news is having to replace three guys who would have had legitimate Heisman campaigns and who helped the WAC set an attendance record with over two million fans in 1994. Still, there were a lot of WAC people who were glad to see Faulk, Diller, and Scott go. Defensive coordinators in particular, who felt they had showed off long enough especially Faulk who in three seasons rushed into the WAC record book as the No. 2 career rusher and scorer with 4,589 yards and 376 points.

The departure of the big three makes room for new stars to be born. The chief candidates include a trio of quarterbacks Brigham Young's John Walsh, Utah's Mike McCoy, and San Diego State's Tim Gutierrez. While playing in the shadow of Diller who led the country with the third-highest passing efficiency rating in history (173.2) last season, these three each threw for more than 20 touchdowns and 3,000 yards at over 60 percent accuracy. Walsh and McCoy took their teams to bowl games as well.

Washington's Cougars again figure to be the WAC team to beat, if for no other reason than that they have won the WAC 15 of the last 18 seasons including the last five. Last year's 6-6 record marked BYU's worst campaign in 20 seasons but it still didn't keep the Cougars out of a share of the title and a trip to the Holiday Bowl. BYU's consistency is about the only constant that comes into play when analyzing the WAC race, however. The league finds itself in an interesting state of flux. Rebuilding is going on at many of the perennially strong programs, including Fresno State, San Diego State, Hawaii, Air Force, Wyoming and, to some extent, Utah, while momentum is on the way up at Colorado State and New Mexico, signifying a changing of the guard in the WAC.

## 1994 all-rockies team

### offense

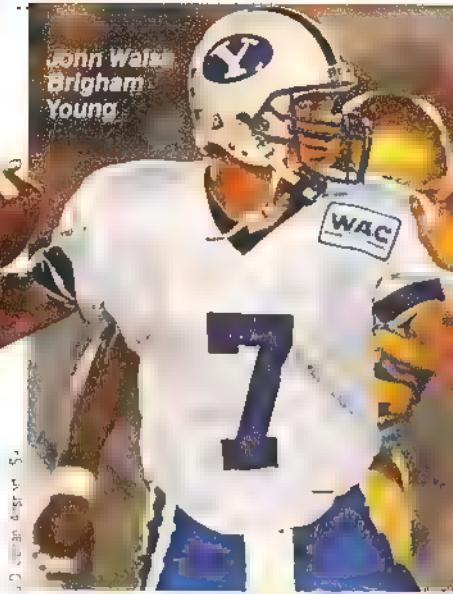
Quarterback	John Walsh, Jr.	Brigham Young
Running back	Sheridan May	SR., Idaho
Running back	Ryan Christopherson	SR., Wyoming
Wide receiver	Bryce Doman	SR., Brigham Young
Wide receiver	Deron Claiborne	SR., Utah
Tight end	Pat McNeaney	SR., Weber State
Line	Jason James	SR., Fresno State
Line	Lance Scott	SR., Utah
Line	Harold Fox	SR., Eastern Wash.
Line	Steve Sciles	SO., Wyoming
Line	Scott Gragg	SR., Montana
Place-kicker	Marshal Young	JR., UTEP
Kick returner	Greg Myers	JR., Colorado State

### defense

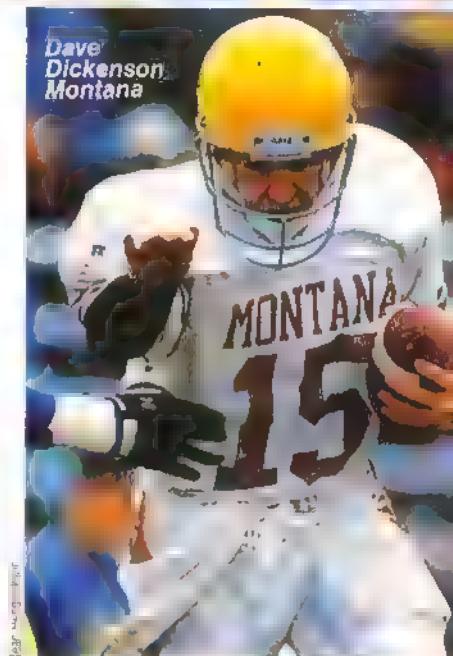
Line	Luther Elliss	SR., Utah
Line	Steve Hodge	SR., Colorado State
Line	Craig Stenmeyer	SR., Eastern Washington
Line	Ryan Phillips	SO., Idaho
Linebacker	Dan Downs	SR., Montana
Linebacker	Kenya Ragsdale	SR., Colorado State
Linebacker	Ron Papazian	SR., Fresno State
Back	Greg Myers	JR., Colorado State
Back	Mark Grimmier	Jr., Montana State
Back	Ernest Boyd	SR., Utah
Back	Omar Stoultzine	SO., Fresno State
Punter	Jason Jones	SR., Utah

Greg Myers  
Colorado State

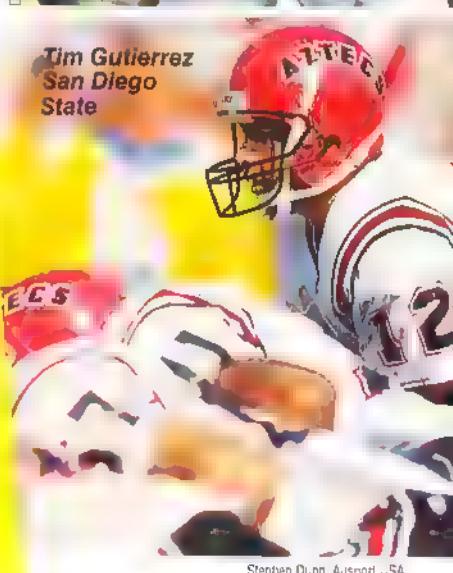
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John Walsh  
Brigham Young



Dave Dickenson  
Montana



Tim Gutierrez  
San Diego State



# Division I-AA National Preview

**Repeat after me: Youngstown State and Marshall to meet in the title game for the fourth straight year.**

by DAVID NEWTON THE (COLUMBIA) STATE

The men of steel in Youngstown, Ohio, are still blue-collar workers who arrive on the job wearing hard hats and measure a day's work by the amount of sweat on their shirts. Only now, their hard hats are helmets and their shirts are jerseys.

For the past three years, Youngstown State has pounded Division I-AA football opponents like those who carried lunch pails in this once-booming steel city once pounded bars from hot molten metal. The Penguins have won 47 games since 1990, which is three more than Division I-A powerhouse Florida State and seven more than their closest I-AA competitor. They've played in the national championship game three straight years, winning in 1991 and '93. Their publici-

best two teams and be bragging," he said. "But we're certainly among the best two teams. I don't know about the talent, but as far as team concept, playing together, and being successful you've got to rank us both up there."

There is precedent for making it to the title game four straight years. Eastern Kentucky did it under Roy Kidd (1979-82). Tressell is



TODD DONNAN Marshall

very familiar with those teams. When he took over Youngstown State eight years ago, he modeled his program after EKU, which meant building a great defense and an offense based on a solid ground game. It's hard to argue with the system. Since 1978, Eastern Kentucky has won fewer than eight games just once (7-3-1 in 1983). The Colonels have won 10 or more games eight times and have been to the playoffs a record 14 times in the 18-year history of I-AA. They are 90-9-1 at Roy Kidd Stadium since 1978. Kidd's 247 victories rank third behind Grambling's Eddie Robinson and Penn State's Joe Paterno among active Division I-A and I-AA coaches.

"They've proven that's the way to get to the playoffs," Tressell said of the Colonels. "When we looked around and asked who we had to beat to get to the championship, they were the ones." Kidd's glad he could be of service. "But I hope he cuts that out," he said. "I've got to go there this year."

Tressell's also "borrowed" from a couple of other successful programs in Georgia

ROBERT DOUGHERTY Boston University

ty department calls them the "Team of the Decade," and few argue the point. So, if you're picking a favorite for this season's title game, go ahead and pencil in Youngstown State. And while you're at it, pencil in Marshall right next to them. The Thundering Herd has also made three straight trips to the title game, winning in 1992, and its 40 victories in the 1990s are second in I-AA to Youngstown State's 47.

"I wouldn't say that's real safe," said Youngstown State coach Jim Tressell of the prediction for another rematch. "But you can bet one thing. Both of us will be trying like crazy to get there."

Marshall coach Jim Donnan agreed. "I don't want to sit back and say we have the

## Top 25

1 Youngstown State	14 Alcorn State
2 Marshall	15 Howard
3 Montana	16 Montana State
4 Georgia Southern	17 Western Carolina
5 McNeese State	18 Tennessee-Martin
6 Idaho	19 Troy State
7 Stephen F Austin	20 Nichols State
8 Central Florida	21 Southern University
9 Eastern Kentucky	22 Pennsylvania
10 Tennessee Tech	23 South Carolina State
11 Northern Iowa	24 Massachusetts
12 Delaware	25 East Tennessee State
13 Boston University	

Southern and Marshall. Georgia Southern played in five of six championships from 1985 to 1990 and is the only I-AA school to win four titles and two in a row. The Eagles won in 1985-86 and in 1989-90. And you're already aware of Marshall's recent achievements under Donnan, whose philosophies almost mirror those of Kidd and Georgia Southern's Tim Stowers.

"We've gotten to know a lot about each other," Tressell said of Donnan and Marshall. "We've stolen and borrowed a lot of ideas. Jim and I talk a lot during the season."

CHRIS PARKER Marshall



Neither of us worry about the championship game. We just try to make it to the next ball game. "Coaches are some of the biggest threats in the world when it comes to ideas."

Offensive and defensive schemes aren't the only reason Youngstown State has established itself as the team of the '90s. Like those they've copied, they're in a hotbed for talent. Northeast Ohio is loaded with quality high school programs, one reason nearby Ohio State has been a Division I power for so long. "[Tressell] told me all their recruiting is within a 100-mile radius," Kidd said. "They don't even hardly have to spend the night on the road recruiting."

Sad Troy State coach Larry Blakeney, whose team finished the 1993 regular season ranked No. 1 in its I-AA debut, "They're in an area where they can recruit a pretty tough kid." That toughness is the by-product of the environment. Many grew up in cities that became shells of themselves as the steel industry struggled. The city of Youngs-

#### ALL-AMERICA TEAM

##### OFFENSE

QB Steve McNair, Alcorn St  
RB Chris Parker, Marshall

RB Kippy Bayless, Middle Tennessee

WR Kerry Hayes, Western Carolina

WR David Rhodes, Central Florida

TE Hanz Hoag, Evansville

OL Franklin Stephens, Georgia Southern

OL Octus Poik, Stephen F Austin

OL Pat Hicks, Middle Tennessee

OL Scott Gragg, Montana

OL Chris Sammarone, Youngstown St

PK Jose Lario, McNeese St

##### DEFENSE

DL Anthony Cook, South Carolina St

DL Dana Scott, McNeese St

DL Willie Mitchell, Stephen F Austin

LB Leon Jones, Youngstown St

LB Dan Downs, Montana

LB Carlos Timmons, Eastern Kentucky

LB Jason Shelt, Idaho

DB Darryl Pounds, Nichols St

DB Chris Nelson, Boston University

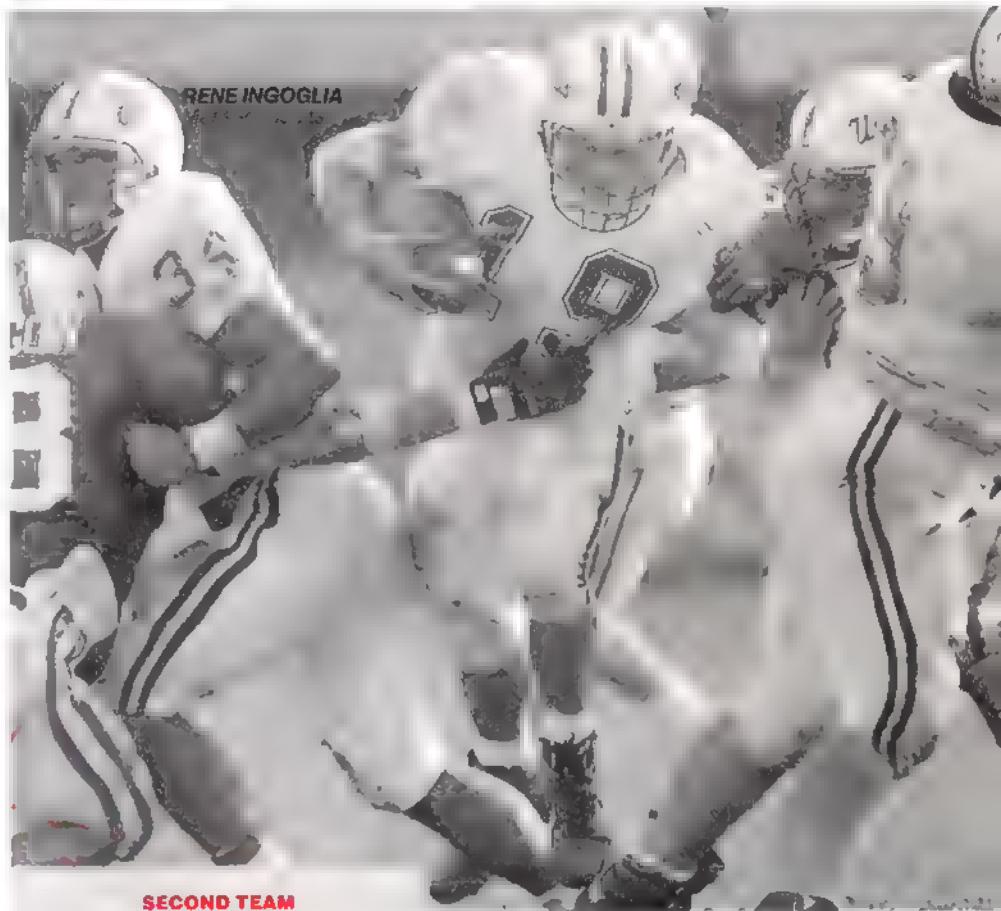
DB Zack Bronson, McNeese St

DB Roger Johnson, Marshall

P Josh Farrell, Sam Houston St

town has shut down as many factories as Youngstown State has shut down opponents. And watching the community rally around the team the way it used to rally around the steel industry has been a major source of enjoyment for Tressell.

"Without question, it's rallied around the team," Tressell said of the community. "When that happens, it rallies around the university as a whole. It's been real neat lis-



#### SECOND TEAM

##### OFFENSE

QB Dave Dickenson, Montana

RB Willie High, Eastern Illinois

RB Sherden May, Idaho

WR Miles Macik, Pennsylvania

WR Scott Gurnsey, Montana

TE Pat McVernon, Weber St

OL Jason Combs, Eastern Kentucky

OL Wes Greenwell, Western Carolina

OL Ray Miller, Youngstown St

OL Brian Fisher, Furman

OL Calvin Griffin, Southern

PK Reed Haley, Georgia Southern

##### DEFENSE

DL Doug Berg, Southeast Missouri

DL William Peebles, Appalachian St

DL Chris Roberson, Stephen F Austin

LB Kenya Rounds, Southern

LB Vincent Landrum, McNeese St

LB Andre Allen, Northern Iowa

LB Pat Goodwillie, Pennsylvania

DB Rodney Harrison, Western Illinois

DB Chris Guyton, Eastern Kentucky

DB Rob Hitchcock, Weber St

DB Breon Parker, Massachusetts

P Eric Colvard, Liberty

tening to people verbalize what it has meant to their home. To listen to people who have been through the trauma of the steel industry... it's really been something."

It should continue to be. With 14 returning starters, including most of the offensive line and quarterback Mark Brungard, Youngstown State has the nucleus for another trip to 28,000-seat Marshall Stadium for the championship game. Take out a 2-9 record during Tressell's first season at Youngstown, and he has a 68-24-1 record with six trips to the playoffs in seven years and four trips to a title game, including the 1979 Division I championship.

"Youngstown State is definitely the No. 1 team, and not just because we're opening with them," Stephen F Austin coach John Pearce said. "They're loaded. There are certain teams you just know are going to be there, and they're one of them."

Replacing arguably the nation's best backfield in Tamron Smith and Darnell Clark won't be easy. Smith rushed for 1,433 yards and 20 touchdowns last fall to finish his ca-

## Division I-AA National Preview

reer with 4,866 yards and a school-record 53 touchdowns (52 on the ground). Clark had 1,166 yards and 13 TDs. But Tressel didn't leave himself high and dry after the 13-2 record. Sophomore Charles Perdue who rushed for 392 yards on 86 carries, should be more than adequate behind center Chris Sammarone, guard Ray Miller, and tackles Paul Kokos and George Tomasch. Youngstown State's biggest obstacle could be complacency. "There are always the pitfalls that winning breeds complacency," Tressel said. "I have constantly talked to them about reality. I hope I've got everyone's attention 100 percent."

Marshall's first challenge will be to win the Southern Conference. Despite its success in the playoffs, the Thundering Herd has won only one league title (shared with Furman in 1988) since becoming a member in 1976. They finished 6-2 in the Southern a year ago a game behind Georgia Southern. The year before that they were runner-up to The Citadel and before that to Appalachian State. "We had to win our last game the last three years just to make the playoffs," Donnan explained. "I don't know what it's going to take to win the conference, but our kids are playing tough and used to it."

DAMON BODDIE Montana

Donnan says that this year's team reminds him of the 1992 team that won the title. He's got seven starters back on offense, including All-America candidate Chris Parker at running back and his son, Todd, at quarterback. Parker is the nation's leading returning rusher after gaining a school-record 1,750 yards in 1993. He also set a league scoring mark with 144 points. Todd Donnan complemented him well, completing 211 of 372 pass attempts for 2,591 yards. Like Youngstown State, most of the questions are on defense, where Marshall lost its starting linebackers, including William King, the league's Defensive Player of the Year. "We have a good nucleus, but you still have to pick Youngstown as the favorite [nationally] because they have their offensive line back," Donnan reasoned.

Picking a favorite in the Southern Conference is just as easy for Donnan. He looks no further than Georgia Southern, which returns 13 starters (8 on offense) from the team that

STEVE McNAIR Alcorn



PAT GOODWILLIE Penn



They're also used to playing most of their playoff games at home. Not since losing to Youngstown State in Statesboro, GA, in 1991 have the Thundering Herd strayed from their home turf. They've played 11 of their last 12 playoff games in Huntington, WV. Having one of the better I-AA facilities and a nice financial package to offer for the title game helps. There's also a little luck involved. "Last year," Donnan said, "we were supposed to go to Montana [for the second round], even though we had a higher bid. Then they lost [49-48] on the last play of the game to Delaware."

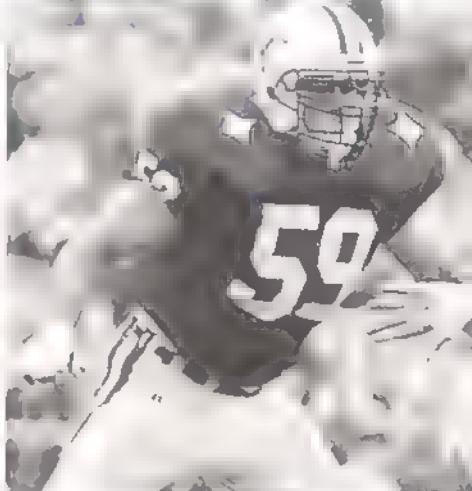
won seven of eight league games as the new kid on the block.

"We heard things were going to be different for Georgia Southern as a member of a conference," Stowers said. "So we challenged our team to play hard each week and we came out on top."

But Stowers understands now what other coaches mean when they say winning the Southern Conference title is more difficult than winning the national title. He also understands when his peers say the Southern, which has been represented in the championship game 12 times since 1983, is the best I-AA conference in the land. The former Georgia assistant compares it to playing in the SEC. "The Southern Conference is a mini-SEC," Stowers said. "You don't get a break in the schedule. It would be different if you could schedule everybody at home every year, but you can't. You have to deal with the mental part more than the physical." Stowers knows a little about the home-field advantage. Georgia Southern hosted the title game from 1989 to 1991. "We've been on both ends, so we're not going to complain," said Stowers, whose team was eliminated by Youngstown State 34-14 in the quarterfinals last season.

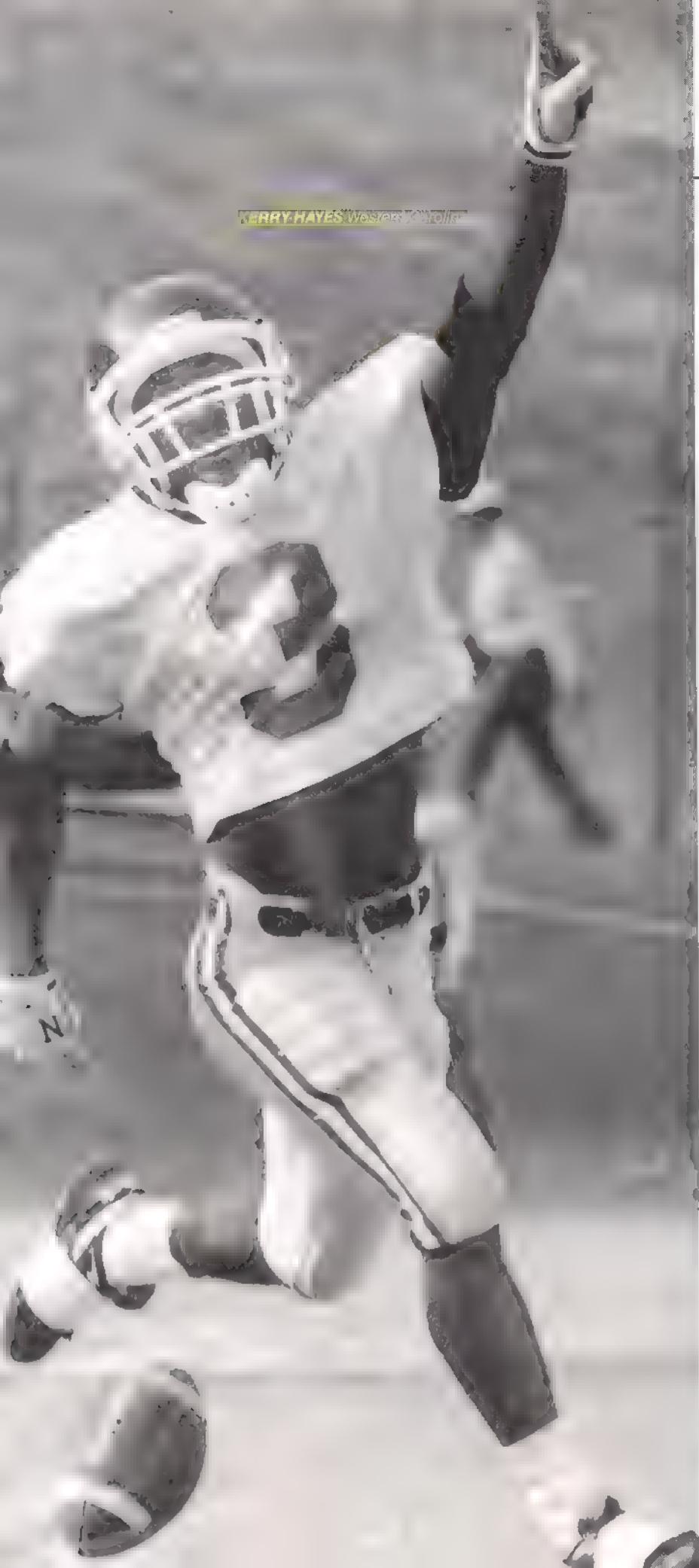
He may not complain, but Kidd will. He believes Eastern Kentucky might have won a few more titles in the early 80s had the championship games been on his home field. He says his team was better than the Marshall team that beat the Colonels 14-7, during the 1993 regular season and the Georgia Southern team that eliminated them from the playoffs in the first round with a 14-12 decision. "I thought the difference was

BRIAN FISHER Furman



home field," admitted Kidd. "If you don't get Marshall off its home field, it's going to be a contender every year."

EKU also is a national contender every year, and this one should be no different, with 15 starters back from last season's



team that won the Ohio Valley Conference with an 8-0 record. Of the Colonels' four non-conference losses, one was a 26-22 setback to Youngstown State. Eastern Kentucky's top challengers for the OVC crown appear to be perennial power Middle Tennessee and up-and-comer Tennessee Tech. Middle Tennessee returns 19 starters from a team that slumped to its worst record (5-6) in 13 years. Tennessee Tech returns 20 starters from a team that finished 8-3. Its 7-1 OVC record was its best since 1972.

The best news for teams in the Southland Conference is that powerhouse Northeast Louisiana is headed for Division I-A. But that doesn't mean the league, usually one of the top two in the country, will suffer. McNeese State, which won the title last year with a 7-0 record, and Stephen F. Austin are as good as any two teams from another league. North Texas also could contend with All-American candidate Mitch Maher at quarterback and 14 returning starters from a team that lost at McNeese State (18-17) and to Stephen F. Austin (29-27). "I hate to see them leave the league," McNeese State coach Bobby Keasler said. "But I don't think this league gets any easier."

The Big Sky also has a pair of teams that should be national contenders. Montana, which won the league last fall with a 7-0 mark, returns 15 starters, including junior quarterback Dave Dickenson, I-AA's leader in total offense a year ago. Idaho, which lost, 35-16, to Youngstown State in last season's semifinals, also should be strong with 15 regulars back from a team that led the nation in scoring and total offense en route to a school-record-tying 11 victories. "I think the league is as good as it has ever been," Montana coach Don Read said.

The Yankee Conference should have its perennial challengers in Delaware and Boston University. The league had a record seven teams with overall winning records last season and had three teams in the playoffs for only the second time.

Look for Northern Iowa once again to come out of the Gateway Conference. The Panthers return 14 starters from a team that won its third straight league title.

The Southwestern Athletic Conference should be a three-way race among defending champion Southern University, Acorn State and Grambling. Howard, 11-1 a year ago, is the favorite in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference. Pennsylvania and Princeton should contend in the Ivy League. As for the independents, Troy State lived up to its first-year billing by going 10-0-1 in the regular season and advancing to the semifinals where it lost, 24-21, to Marshall. "We lost some good players from that team, but we're not conceding anything [to independent Youngstown State]," Bakeney said.

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"To this point, they are the team of the decade," Donnan said. "But there are a lot more years left in the decade."

# Division II

## National Preview

by GREGG DEWALT

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**North Alabama  
finally won  
the national  
championship on  
its home field.**

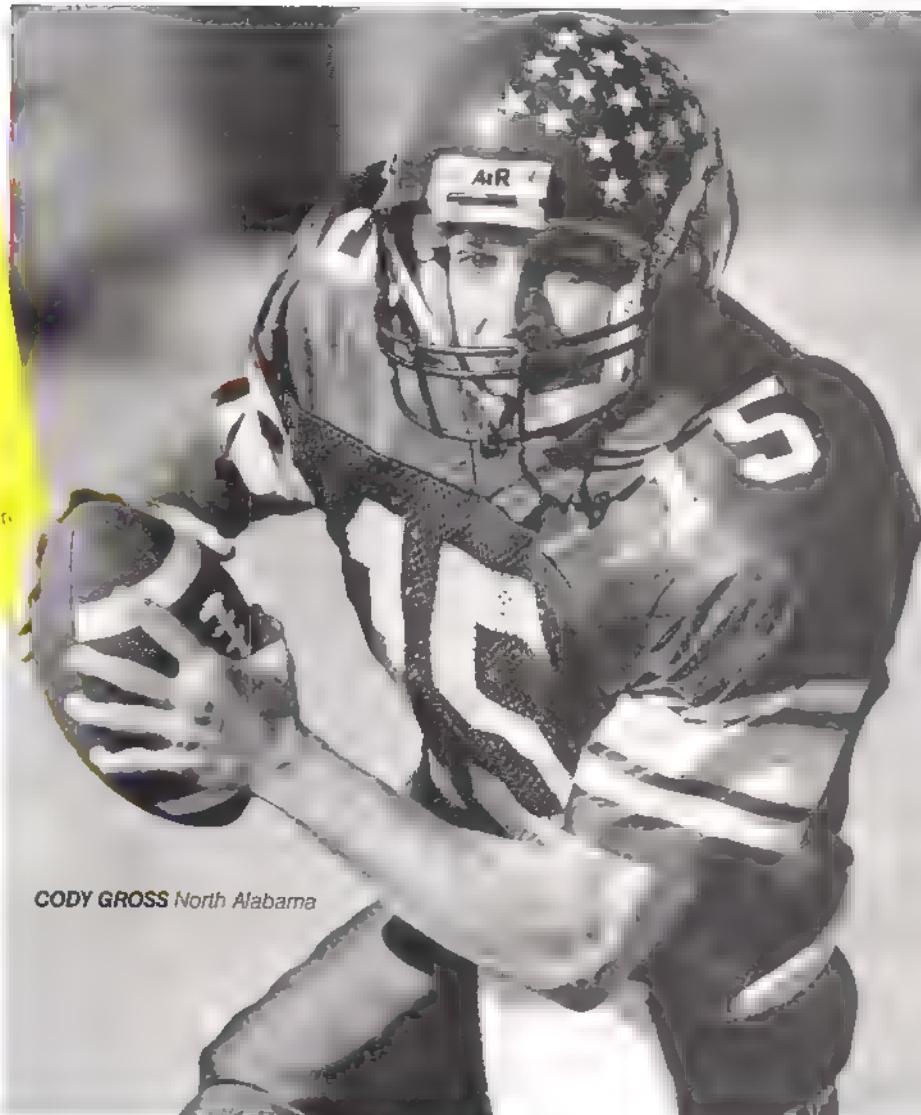
### Top 25

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| 1 North Alabama        | 14 Carson-Newman      |
| 2 Texas A&M-Kingsville | 15 Missouri Southern  |
| 3 New Haven            | 16 Wayne State        |
| 4 Pittsburg State      | 17 Fort Valley State  |
| 5 Indiana              | 18 Edinboro           |
| 6 Ferris State         | 19 Wofford            |
| 7 North Dakota State   | 20 Angelo State       |
| 8 Portland State       | 21 Grand Valley State |
| 9 Hampton              | 22 North Dakota       |
| 10 Valdosta State      | 23 East Stroudsburg   |
| 11 Fort Hays           | 24 Northeast Missouri |
| 12 Northern Colorado   | 25 Ashland            |
| 13 Millersville        |                       |

**North Alabama** coach Bobby Wallace got tired of watching other teams come to Florence, Alabama, each season and play the national championship game on his field. Often, Wallace was out of town during that week. If his Lions weren't playing in the game, Wallace didn't want to see other teams celebrating a Division II title.

And who could blame him? When the championship game moved from McAllen, Texas, to Florence in 1986, members of the local committee that spearheaded the relocation efforts did so with the dream of one day seeing the hometown team win the national title on its own turf. Eight years later, North Alabama did just that, completing a perfect 14-0 season with a stirring 41-34 triumph in the finals over Indiana University of Pennsylvania in front of an SRO crowd at Braly Stadium and a national television audience. The victory made Wallace and the local fans happy. The full stadium made the NCAA happy.

But 1993 is history and supporters of North Alabama football are looking ahead for an encore performance this fall. The Lions lost two vital cogs in last year's dash for the championship: Harlon Hill Trophy finalist Tyrone Rush (1,466 yards rushing, 19 TDs), the school's all-time leading rusher, and his backfield mate Brian Satterfield (1,087, 14) have graduated and signed free-agent contracts with the Washington Redskins. The secondary again has some holes to fill, but 15 returning starters along with 43 lettermen have Wallace optimistic for another successful year.



CODY GROSS North Alabama

"I don't say we're on top and that's where we want to stay," Wallace said. "I don't look at it that way at all. All I do is focus on how good we can be. Whether we are as good as North Dakota State, whether we're as good as Texas A&M-Kingsville, or whether we're as good as Portland State is not even a thought in my mind now. And I don't even care. All I care about right now is are we working to be as good as we can be?"

Wallace has an assortment of talented backs waiting to step in to fill the shoes of Satterfield and Rush, including Kenya Jones, who rushed for 892 yards in UNA's potent option-oriented attack. Quarterback Cody Gross, who led UNA to the national championship with a last-second drive, will again direct the offense. Defensively, UNA lost several key performers. But the team's top two tacklers, linebackers Ronald McKin-

non and Keith Humphrey are back. On their way to the national championship, the Lions played a tough schedule and had wins over Portland State, Texas A&M-Kingsville, Hampton, Carson Newman, Valdosta State and Indiana. This year, they will visit top 20 candidate Ft. Valley State and defending I-AA champ Youngstown State.

"In the last two years, we've gotten to a different level and I've been able to see the best teams in Division I firsthand," Wallace said. "We played more great teams last year than we ever have. It's pretty impressive. I've been in Division I, and maybe my memory is not very good, but the football team we had last year would have a chance against a lot of Division I and Division I-AA teams."

If this year's Lions reach that same plateau, everybody else in Division II could be playing for second place.

**Texas A&M-Kingsville** took UNA down to the wire in their semifinal playoff game, losing 27-25. The Javelinas, who turned around after an 0-5 start last fall to win the Lone Star Conference, return 16 starters from that team, including quarterback Joe Menchaca, who threw 10 touchdown passes and led the team in total offense with 133.2 yards per game. Menchaca should be well-protected behind returning linemen Tom Crossland and Kevin Dogins. The first step back into the playoff picture for coach Ron Harms will be to win the LSC for a third consecutive year. But Harms admits that won't be easy. "You can throw a blanket over the conference schools," he said. "There has been an influx of outstanding quarterbacks and several of the teams in the lower division have had a resurgence. It'll be the best conference race in five or six years." Six starters return on defense, but finding a replacement for Anthony Phillips, who went midway through the NFL draft, will be a priority.

There may not be a more intimidating offensive attack in the country than **New Haven's**. The Chargers haven't lost a regular-season game in two years, and in 1993 averaged 54.7 points per game. The mastermind of that team, Mark Whipple, accepted the head-coaching position at Brown University in the offseason, but he hardly left a depleted squad for new coach Tony Sporano. Harlon Hill Trophy winner Roger Graham returns with 20 school records already and the chance to break several NCAA marks. With an additional 1,974 yards and 157 points, Graham will become the all-time (all-divisions) leader in rushing and scoring in NCAA history. Since Graham has averaged 1,700 yards and 135 points while splitting time with the now-graduated A.J. Livingston, those marks should be well within his reach. Quarterback Jim Weir set a school record with 31 TD passes in '93 and comp led an NCAA-best 172.0 efficiency rating. He's back after throwing one interception in 266 attempts last fall.

**Pittsburg State** (KS) suffered a rare three-loss season and didn't get past the first round of the playoffs after two straight appearances in the championship game. Although coach Chuck Broyles has only 10 starters back, he's confident the Gorillas will make a sixth consecutive playoff appearance. "We've got plenty of depth in many key places," said Broyles. "We had a good recruiting campaign and felt we've addressed several immediate needs, especially on the defensive line and at wide receiver." Quarterback Jeff Moreland started nine games as a redshirt freshman in the Gorillas' 1991 national championship season and guided the team to eight victories and a tie. He went into the spring as No. 1 after missing most of the last two years with injuries. With a wealth of running backs and

an upgraded receiving corps, Pitt State shouldn't have any trouble scoring. The big question mark is along the defensive front, which will feature four new players.

**Indiana (PA)** was within seconds of taking North Alabama to overtime in the championship game last fall. Coach Larry Cignetti has 13 starters back from that team but must replace some key offensive personnel. Gone are tailback Michael Mann, quarterback Scott Woods, receivers JeMone Smith and Derrick Smith, guard Matthew Dalverny, kicker Michael Geary, and tight end Theo Turner. Steve Russell and Pitt transfer Ken Turner should battle at quarterback. Linebacker Omar Stewart and cornerback Harold Brister anchor the defense. Early games against Grand Valley State and New Haven could tell the story for the Indians in '94. A win against Grand Valley would be No. 100 for Cignetti.

**Ferris State** has established itself as the team to beat in the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference with back-to-back championships. The Bulldogs didn't lose in the regular season (9-0-2) and were beaten, 28-21, by Indiana in the first round of the playoffs. Sixteen starters, including running back Tyree Dye (20 TDs) and quarterback Bill Love (2,491 yards passing), are back. David Nelson had 604 yards on punt returns—a Division II record. Mike Brooks made 185 tackles and leads the Bulldog defense along with fellow linebacker Chip Egbert and back Akil Young.

**North Dakota State** missed the playoffs for the first time since 1987. Two of their three losses were by one point despite using an all-freshman backfield for most of the season. Coach Rocky Hager will depend on 13 returning starters, including record-setting freshman quarterback Rob Hyland, to lead the Bison back into the national championship hunt. Hyland took over when All-America candidate Arden Beachy was injured in the opening game and he proceeded to set a school total-offense record (2,192 yards). Hyland threw for 12 touchdowns and ran for 12 more, giving the run-oriented Bison a passing threat. Their linebacking corps of Chad Pundsack, Joe Toth, Gunnar Gossard, and Cory Stroup will be as solid as anybody's in the North Central Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

**Portland State** is a Division II independent playing a Division I-type schedule. The Vikings will be looking to make the playoffs for the seventh time in eight years, but they will have to do it against a slate that includes Oregon from the Pac-10, Western Kentucky, five Division I-AA opponents, Texas A&M-Kingsville, and Angelo State. "The schedule doesn't allow much room for error," said second-year coach Tim Walsh. "But meeting this caliber of opponent week in and week out [should] make us a better playoff team in December."

The Vikings are always good on offense and probably will be again, even though just three starters return. Houston transfer Kyle Allen, who set a jucos record by throwing 65 touchdown passes at San Francisco City College, should get the nod at quarterback. Darick Holmes scored 13 touchdowns, ran for 700 yards, caught 52 passes for 562 yards and is already a star with a 230-pound frame. Eight regulars, including nose tackle Akaba Delany, lead the defense.

**Hampton** will be making a swan song in Division II before making the transition to I-AA in 1995. The Pirates have won 23 games the past two seasons, but each time came up empty against North Alabama in the playoffs. Quarterback Matt Montgomery, winding up a stellar career, has 48 touchdown passes, including 13 as a junior. When he is not throwing, Montgomery will hand the ball to fullback Anthony Smith (1,034 yards, 9 TDs) or Malcolm Benson (10 TDs). Kevin White, who scored 10 times last fall, has been moved to wide receiver and should become a favorite target of Montgomery's.

**Valdosta State** was the second-best team in the powerful Gulf South Conference, but that wasn't good enough to get the Blazers into the playoffs. Quarterback Chris Hatcher put up All-America numbers and helped VSU lead the conference in scoring (40 points per game). He should battle New Haven's Graham for the Harlon Hill Trophy (awarded to the top player in Division II), and the two offensive standouts will be on display when the teams meet on October 8 in Valdosta. The Blazers have 17 starters back from last year's 8-3 squad, including 10 on defense. Two of the best are all-GSC end Andre Hampton (10 sacks) and linebacker Erasmus Harvey, who will switch from the weak to the strong side in '94. The Blazers have all the tools to win a national championship for coach Hal Mumme, but they must unseat North Alabama in the conference race to get that chance.

Don't be surprised to see **Fort Hays State** back for a second appearance in the Division II playoffs. With 17 starters on hand from last year's Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference championship team (8-4), the Tigers should be strong once again. Tailback Clint Bedore (1,619 yards, 134.9 per game) is only a junior. A couple of transfers, Ernest Williams from Oklahoma and Emmett Pride from Indiana, provide plenty of depth. Those backs will be running behind 300-pound bookend tackles Cliff Sennett and Dolyn Jackson. The Tigers ranked first in defense in the RMAC and have eight players back from that unit. Jose Salcido had 117 tackles and six interceptions, numbers that landed him on the all-conference team. Cornerback Donovan Johnson had three touchdowns: returning a fumble, an interception, and a blocked field goal for scores.

**Northern Colorado** coach Joe Glenn

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thinks his team could challenge for the NCC title and a national playoff berth if the Bears can find a way to win some close games. They were just 1-2 in games decided by less than a touchdown, but with 17 starters back, Glenn thinks UNC can improve on that mark. "Looking back, we realize that if we could have changed one or two plays in a couple of games, we could have been playing for the conference title," Glenn said. "Our players have got to have the attitude that they need to get a little better to win the championship." UNC will depend on an experienced offensive line to protect quarterback John Roberts (2,055 yards passing, 17 TDs). All-America linebacker Jeff Pease (102 tackles) was a Kodak All-American.

**Millersville** won the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference East title with a 6-0 record and finished 8-2 overall, but was left out of the playoffs. That shouldn't happen this season with 19 starters and 38 lettermen returning. Temple transfer Greg Moylan should challenge incumbent Brad Fickes at quarterback. Marc DeBellis, an all-PSAC East first-team selection, leads the running game and is coming off a 1,308-yard, 10-touchdown effort. Only one player is gone from last year's defense that led the PSAC Strong safety Joe Fimple led the squad with 85 tackles, while cornerback Deric Currie had four interceptions.

**Carson-Newman** made a splash in its first year on the Division II level, winning the South Atlantic Conference with an 8-1-1 record and getting a postseason invitation. The Eagles lost to North Alabama, 38-28, in the first round of the playoffs, but they should again be the cream of the SAC. Ten defensive starters, led by All-America tackle Daron Rogers and inside linebacker Anthony Davis, tackle Roc Evans, and free safety Bobby Jones, return. Nose guard Steve Melton, an honorable mention All-American in 1992 who missed all of '93 with a broken leg, is also back. Quarterback Pop Williams will operate behind a veteran line and wide receiver Kendall James returned four kicks for touchdowns and is a threat every time he touches the ball.

**Missouri Southern** went unbeaten in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association and will again battle Pitt State for the conference title. Coach Jon Lentz must replace All-America selections Rod Smith and Rob Burton, as well as two-time all-MIAA quarterback Matt Cook. Among the contenders for the quarterback job is Oklahoma transfer Doug Switzer, son of Dallas Cowboys coach Barry Switzer. Cornerback Cedric Florence had seven interceptions in '93 and leads a group of 17 starters back.

**Wayne State** (NE) led the world in offense last season, racking up 581.5 yards and 44 points per game on the way to a 9-1 record. But Dennis Wagner has to find a replacement for Brett Salisbury, who was the

### All-America Team

#### OFFENSE

QB Chris Hatcher, Valdosta State  
RB Roger Graham, New Haven  
RB Clint Bedore, Fort Hays  
WR Josh Nelson, Mankato State  
WR Oronde Graham, Winston-Salem  
TE Andre President, Angelo State  
OL Jon Thompson, North Alabama  
OL Steve Hynes, East Stroudsburg  
OL Greg Hood, Wofford  
OL Mike Sheldon, Grand Valley State  
OL Paul Bates, Kentucky Wesleyan  
PK Barry Reese, Abilene Christian  
KR Jerry Garrett, Wayne State

#### DEFENSE

DL Akaba Delaney, Portland State  
DL Daron Rodgers, Carson-Newman  
DL Tracy Ledbetter, Bowie State  
LB Ronald McKinnon, North Alabama  
LB Mika Brooks, Ferris State  
LB Jeff Pease, Northern Colorado  
LB Chris Willingham, Shippensburg  
DB Robert Burnett, Elon  
DB Chet Henicle, Bloomsburg  
DB Tyrone Poole, Fort Valley State  
DB Steve Russell, Edinboro  
P Bob Koning, New Mexico Highlands

No. 2-rated quarterback in Division II. Still, there is plenty of talent on hand to make the Wildcats playoff contenders. Jerry Garrett and Byron Chamberlain combined to catch 140 passes for just under 1,900 yards and 14 touchdowns, while Lamont Ranney added 1,031 yards rushing and a school-record 13 TDs. Garrett also averaged 19 yards per punt return, tops in Division II.

**Fort Valley State** will be looking to unseat Albany State as champion of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Coach Doug Porter is only two victories away from 100 and should get those early in the season, thanks in part to a strong secondary anchored by Tyrone Poole, who had six interceptions last fall.

**Edinboro** went 8-2 in the regular season and reached the Division II playoffs for the fourth time in six years. Although four All-Americans are gone from that squad, two others, quarterback Jody Dickerson and safety Steve Russell, are back. Dickerson established school records with 2,209 yards passing and 23 TDs. Larry Jackson is seeking a third consecutive 1,000-yard season after rushing for 1,171 yards last fall. Russell intercepted seven passes in '93 and has 14 for his career. Michael Edwards had 127 tackles for the Scots.

**Wofford**, like Hampton, will be playing its final season in Division II and hoping to exit by advancing to the playoffs once again. The Terriers return 15 of 22 starters from a 7-3-1 team, including offensive lineman Greg Hood, who had 177 knockdowns. Eight regulars are back from a defense that limited opponents to 15.1 points per game. If **Angelo State** can get past its first

three games, it could be off and running. The Rams open at North Dakota State, host Portland State, and then visit Sam Houston State. They have a host of all-LSC performers returning, but the most interesting may be Andre President, who went from power forward on the school's basketball team in 1992 to tight end in '93. President (6-6, 235) hadn't played football since his sophomore season in high school, but he caught 14 passes for 235 yards and helped the Rams double their rushing output.

The numbers are in place for **Grand Valley State** to return to the top of the MIFC, as 22 players who started at one time or another return for coach Brian Kelly. Moving the football is always a problem in the MIFC, a league which featured three of the top 10 Division II defenses a year ago. But with All-America candidate Mike Sheldon (6-5, 290) blocking for quarterback Eric Stover (1,800 yards, 16 TDs), the Lakers should be in good shape. Stover's top target is Youssef Sareini (44 catches for 843 yards and 10 TDs). The Lakers get a solid test in their season opener at Indiana.

**North Dakota** made it all the way to the playoff semifinals before running into Indiana. But the Fighting Sioux think they can return to the postseason, despite returning just 10 starters. One problem could be that the Sioux will be on the road for their traditionally tough conference games against North Dakota State, Northern Colorado, and Mankato State. But the return of linebacker Mike Mooney (120 tackles) and fellow All-American Brent Johnson (5 interceptions) at cornerback make the Sioux solid contenders in the NCC.

**East Stroudsburg** upgraded its offense in 1993 and it paid off with a 7-2-1 record. Quarterback James Franklin led the PSAC East in total offense with 230.7 yards per game. His 19 TD passes tied a school record. Fullback Steve Suttle had no trouble getting the ball in the end zone scoring 11 times. Jason Kilian, a transfer from Penn State, should take over at tailback. With offensive tackle Steve Hynes (6-4, 290) blocking, East Stroudsburg should contend with Millersville for the PSAC East title.

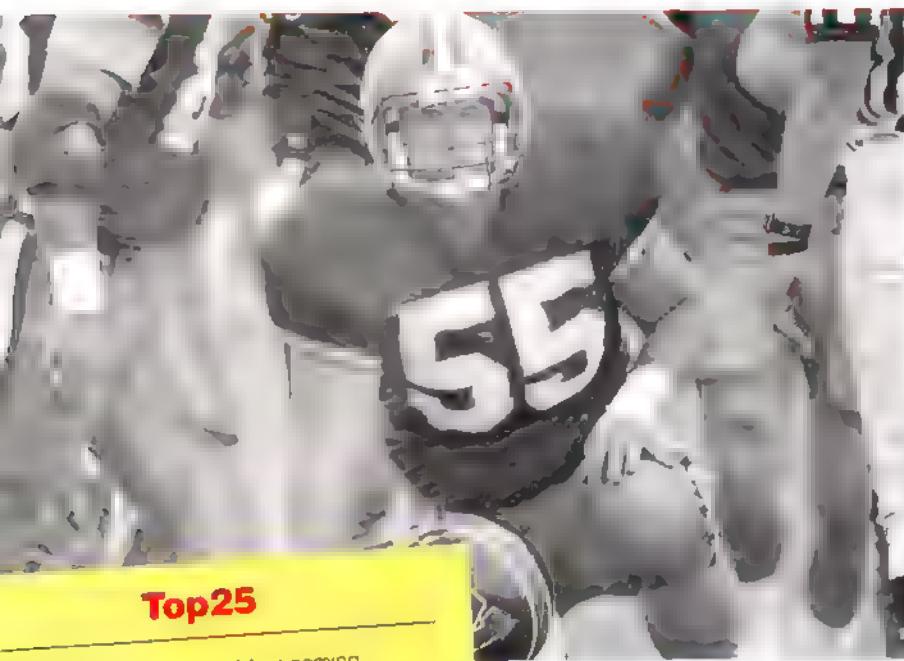
Coach Eric Holm has 23 players back who started for **Northeast Missouri** at one point in '93. Tailback Jarrett Anderson was the MIAA Freshman of the Year after rushing for 1,076 yards. Meko Miller had five interceptions to spark the defense.

**Ashland** will sport a new head coach as Gary Keller moves up from defensive coordinator to replace Dr. Fred Martinelli who stepped down after 35 years. Keller's first challenge is to revamp a defense which lost nine starters from a 9-2 team that ranked second nationally against the rush, third in total defense, and fourth in scoring defense. Tailback Keith Weaver is looking for a third straight 1,000-yard season.

# Division III National Preview

by MIKE GOENS FLORENCE (AL) TIMES-DAILY

**Allegeny's great expectations include a second national championship.**



## Top 25

Allegheny	14. Lycoming
Washington & Jefferson	15. Kalamazoo
Frostburg State	16. Carnegie-Mellon
Mount Union	17. Trinity (CT)
Rowan	18. Thomas More
St. John's (MN)	19. Susquehanna
Augustana (IL)	20. Maine Maritime
Albion	21. Buffalo St.
Wisconsin-LaCrosse	22. Coe
Warburg	23. Wittenberg
Wakes	24. Lincon
Fairleigh Dickinson	25. Hampden-Sydney
Central (IA)	

ERIC WINSLOW Allegeny

'Our guys are hungry and expect an awful lot from themselves. We take football seriously but they don't spend all their time working on football during the summer. We don't even have school! Our guys are not on scholarship and they have got to spend the summers working trying to save money to pay tuition here which is \$22,000. So, expectations vary.'

Today, Allegeny is generally regarded as one of the division's premier teams, and that won't change in 1994, for the Gators are expected to return to the top. That's a position O'Keefe does not shy away from, but he knows there are a lot of obstacles to overcome to achieve national championships.

'There are a million and one factors involved,' he said. 'The biggest is we must stay healthy. We just don't have great players rolling off the sidelines when someone goes down. You've got to have some luck.'

The Gators are 41-5-1 in the '90s and have won 80 percent of the games against nationally ranked teams. Although the '93 season ended in defeat against eventual national champ Mount Union in the playoff opener, the Gators had to be pleased with a 9-2 mark in a season that even O'Keefe figured would be spent trying to prepare a young roster for future seasons. Unfortunately for Allegeny's opponents, the same players who delivered impressive totals last season already know how to compete on the highest level.

Expectations are taken in stride at Allegeny. According to head coach Ken O'Keefe, expectations come in different forms. At his school, the only thing he's concerned about is playing as near our full potential as possible. If we do that, we're successful.' Since O'Keefe took over as head coach in 1990, those expectations have reached a new level, while Div. III has a new national contender that must be dealt with every year. O'Keefe brought a national championship to Meadville, PA, in his inaugural season, and the program has not looked back.

'When you achieve a certain level of success, there's no going back to the way it used to be,' O'Keefe said. 'But we've never focused on any of those things. We have never measured our success on wins and losses—or championships! I know it sounds like a cliché, but we really focus on reaching our full potential as a team.'

"We've got a lot of players who have experience and know how to play championship-caliber football," O'Keefe said. "They expect to win, and the coaches, school and the community expect big things, too."

Seven offensive starters are back from a squad that averaged more than 43 points and 450 yards per game last fall. The Gators scored 44 points or more in seven games. That list of returnees includes senior quarterback Paul Bell, who completed 59 percent of his passes in '93 and accounted for 1,467 yards in 10 regular-season games. He threw only five interceptions and chipped in with 216 rushing yards. Bell's chief target is speedy Andy McKenzie, whose 27 catches last year produced 491 yards.

Allegeny is far from a one-dimensional team. O'Keefe spreads the carries among several running backs, which is not bad strategy when you have a line that returns All-America center Brad Goe and two all-North Coast Athletic Conference tackles, Matt Alison and Jason Bendekovic. Combine that offense with a defense that returns eight starters from a unit that surrendered less than 10 points a game in '93, and there's no wonder why the expectations have never been higher at Allegeny. Eric Winslow has big-time potential.

If the Gators stumble, their Pennsylvania neighbors from Washington & Jefferson will be there to claim the top spot. And the tradition built during the 1990s alone is reason enough to believe the Presidents are ready to assume the role as national contenders. They lost just two regular-season games in the '90s. Overall, the school has won eight straight Pennsylvania Athletic Conference titles and has appeared in the NCAA playoffs five straight years. The only thing missing from the résumé is a national title. However, 16 regulars and 25 other letter-winners are back from last year's 11-1 team.

"I'm excited about the potential of this squad," head coach John Luckhardt said. "We have a chance to be competitive on a national level."

Two key players on offense are sophomores quarterback Jason Baer and running back Jake Williams. Baer threw for 1,686 yards and 21 TDs last fall, while Williams ran for 1,109 yards and 12 touchdowns on 206 attempts. If they repeat those efforts, the Presidents should be solid. The unit that led the country in total defense, scoring defense, and rushing defense also has big-time players back.

A new team emerging as a national contender is Frostburg State of Maryland. A young Bobcat team went 10-2 a year ago and advanced to the national quarterfinals. With 17 starters returning, including 10 on offense, coach Mike McGinney is itching

## Division III National Preview

To get started Frostburg averaged 33 points a game last season and senior Gilbert Telleria is back after throwing for 1,500 yards and rushing for 400 more. Receiver Ariel Bell averaged 25 yards per catch and tackle Tim Feldman is a dominating blocker. On defense, nose guard Joe Holland is the leader after making 72 tackles.

Until further notice, Mount Union is still the Division III champion, and it has no plans to relinquish that title easily. However, the task of trying to duplicate the 14-0 record—at least early in the year—will rest in the hands of the defense, according to coach Larry Kehres. The Raider offense returns just two regulars so the assignment for the defense is obvious. Linebacker Dan Capozella, who was in on 122 tackles last fall, is the best of the seven returnees. Safety Mike Malchesky had 11 interceptions, and his big plays will be needed again.

Rowan, runner-up nationally in '93, will remain New Jersey's pride. Unlike Mount Union, the Profs will turn to their offense to lead the way. Seven starters return to that unit, which showed capabilities to score 70 points or more at times last year. Finding a new quarterback is a priority. Kirby Johnson, who grabbed 27 passes for 487 yards, is back to take away pressure from whomever wins the job. Despite losses on defense, the Profs have their top three tacklers back, including LeRoi Jones, who had 96 stops and five fumble recoveries.

St. John's (MN) is a perennial member of Division III's elite group, and despite losing 16 starters from a 12-1 team, the Johnnies will contend again under legendary head coach John Gagliardi. He has won 306 games, with most of those coming in 41 seasons at St. John's. Many have questioned his method of not using blocking sleds, spring practice, weightlifting, or running and hitting drills, but no one disputes the results. Fullback Matt Malmberg is back after rushing for 1,343 yards and 32 touchdowns. Despite his return, the Johnnies will be hard pressed to equal last year's output of 61.5 points per game.

The nation's second-longest winning streak (behind Mount Union's) belongs to Augustana (IL), which won its last seven games in '93. With nine starters back on both sides of the ball, the Vikings have a chance for big things this season. Coach Bob Reade has a .866 winning percentage in 16 seasons. The offensive keys will be running back Scott Tumilty, who gained 1,048 yards, and tackle Tim Beagle. On defense, linebacker Rusty Van Wetzinga and end Dave Williams are the leaders.

Albion is expected to be the top team in the tough Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association with the return of eight defensive starters from a 10-1 squad. Linemen Jim Heaslip and D.J. Rednberg gave opposing offenses fits last year. Across the

line, the running tandem of Jeff Robinson, who scored 20 touchdowns, and Gabe Cooper will lead the way. The missing piece in the puzzle may be at quarterback, where an untested player must step forward.

Wisconsin-La Crosse coach Roger Harring said his team should be able to "line" up against any foe this year. His offensive line, a talented group that provided the punch needed to produce 426 yards each week, is back almost intact. The unit should help break in inexperienced backfield personnel. Only four starters are back on defense, yet Harring is confident with linebackers Shayne Gauthier and Matt Spellman heading an aggressive unit.

Wartburg coach Bob Nielson is excited about his team's chances of being a top 10-caliber team. He posted a 9-2 mark in '93 and will be counting on a balanced offensive attack to get even better. The Knights rushed for 1,898 yards and passed for 1,902 last season. With four linemen and the entire backfield returning, they will make life miserable again for Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference foes. Quarterback Mike Elijah and running back Bobby Beatty are key players. Defensive back Chad Klunder is as good as they get at the position.

Wilkes won the Middle Atlantic Conference with a 10-1 overall mark and returns five starters on each side of the ball. The defense allowed only 7.3 points per game. Quarterback Boo Perry, who threw for 2,200 yards, could carry his team far into the playoffs. Meanwhile, Fairleigh Dickinson, 8-3 last year, is loaded with returnees (57 letter winners, including 16 regulars and all the specialty players). The key will be finding a quarterback.

The Flying Dutchmen of Central are always competitive in the Iowa Conference and have competed in eight of the last 10 playoffs. Six offensive starters, including tackle Jeff Helle, are back along with seven defensive starters.

Lycoming could be the nation's surprise team. The Warriors were 6-4 last year, but the four losses were by a total of nine points. Eleven starters are back on a defense that forced 42 turnovers, and six regulars are back on offense.

Kalamazoo has high hopes as 16 starters, including nine on defense, are back from a squad that went 7-2.

Carnegie-Mellon pins its hopes on its offense, which was 10th in the nation in scoring (37 points per outing) and especially on quarterback Chris Dee, who passed for 1,621 yards and 16 touchdowns. The Tartans were 8-2 last year.

Eight is a magic number at Trinity (CT). The Bantams were 8-0 and return eight starters. Their multi-flex offense produced more than 30 points in all but one game.

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### ALL-AMERICA TEAM

#### OFFENSE

QB Boo Perry Wilkes  
RB Corey Bender, Coe  
RB Matt Malmberg St. John's  
WR Sammy Williams Defiance  
WR Vic Mancato, Fairleigh Dickinson  
TE Aaron Neal Carnegie-Mellon  
OL Brad Goe Allegheny  
OL Sean Lyons Wabash  
OL Jeff Helle Central  
OL James Hickey Susquehanna  
OL Tim Feldman Frostburg St  
PK Chris Merski Allegheny

#### DEFENSE

DL Robert Hull Washington & Lee  
DL Jean Rucker John Hopkins  
DL Matt Szczydlo, Washington & Jefferson  
DL Jeff Borgel Montclair St  
LB LeRoi Jones Rowan  
LB Dan Capozella Mount Union  
LB Garven Hadden William Patterson  
DB Randy Simpson Wisconsin-Stevens Point  
DB Krome Mabry Alfred  
DB Chris Jones Colorado College  
DB Greg Schramm Trinity  
P Tomek Miller Redlands

#### Lettermen

including 14 starters, should make the Rebels the team to beat.

Susquehanna is another member of the superb Pennsylvania Division III delegation. Having 18 starters back from last year's club speaks for itself.

Maine Maritime looks to get some overdue respect following an 8-1 season that was overlooked last year. Seventeen starters are back from that team.

Buffalo State flirted with greatness posting an 8-2 mark. Many of the key performers are among the 15 starters who return.

Coe has won 35 of 39 regular-season games in the '90s, but a major rebuilding task is ahead after 15 seniors were lost to graduation. The Hawks, however, have running back Carey Bender, who rushed for 1,831 yards and added 626 more in receiving. He could make Coe a contending force.

Wittenberg could also surprise after quietly posting a 9-1 mark a year ago. Eight offensive and six defensive starters are back with winning experience.

Union is another team that seems to win regardless of the situation, having posted a 32-4 record in the '90s. If the trend is to continue the offense will have to carry a defensive unit that lost nine starters.

Experience should make a difference for Hampden-Sydney. The Tigers were 6-4 last year, but the losses were by a total of 20 points. Defense is the secret to winning close games, and 10 starters return to their defensive unit along with seven on offense.

Other teams to watch: McKinnon, Moravian, John Carroll, Stony Brook, Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Montclair State, Wabash, Johns Hopkins, Defiance, Anderson, Wesleyan, Plymouth State, Dickinson, and Ithaca.

# Junior College Report

by TONY JIMENEZ

Cody Lee Smith of Mt. San Antonio CA, is from the left coast where sun, fast-paced living, and quarterbacks who love to pass are a way of life. Brian Knuckles of Coffeyville KS, is from middle America where four distinct seasons, a slower-paced lifestyle and running backs are the norm. Smith, the best quarterback coming back to the national junior college ranks, and Knuckles, the top running back from the nation's 155 junior colleges, are as different as the way they move a football. Color California and Smith pass-happy, color Kansas and Knuckles run-happy.

"The main reason it's like that is the weather," said Mt. San Antonio offensive coordinator Tom Maher. "We have a lot less of the elements to deal with." Coffeyville coach Skip Foster explained his side. "With our weather so unpredictable, it's better to have a good running game," he said. "We recruit running backs hard in Kansas. You can't win without a good one."

After last season a number of major colleges went west, to California jucos for their quarterback needs. Georgia Tech's only JC recruit was Tom Luginbill of Palomar. Kentucky got Mark Williams from Diablo Valley and Pittsburgh got Sean Fitzgerald from L.A. Valley. "Major colleges rarely take quarterbacks, because it usually takes them a couple of years to teach them what they need and then work them into their system," said Hank Ives of JC Grid Wire.

"The running game's better because there's more action," said Knuckles, a hard-as-rock 6-1, 205-pounder. "I remember watching Barry Sanders and Emmitt Smith on TV and saying, 'Wow! I want to be like those guys.'" Knuckles will get his chance. He is moving from a running back factory at Coffeyville to another at Nebraska. He has a chance to be the biggest impact jucos running back at Nebraska since Mike Rozier, who was at Coffeyville 1980 and won the Heisman Trophy at Nebraska in 1983.

Knuckles, a Charlotte, NC, native who can power over or speed by folks, burst onto the jucos scene in 1992 with a 1,543-yard, 23-touchdown All-American freshman season. He had a pair of 242-yard games and one game of 237 yards and five touchdowns. Last fall he had a 267-yard game, gaining one more yard than he had as a freshman despite playing at times with a shoulder injury and a fractured little finger. He finished with 3,087 yards in two years.

"During his sophomore season he was a marked man, but he responded well," said Foster. "That's what helps put him in a league with Rozier. He became a more physical player, just taking it straight at people. He's comparable to Rozier in the way they run. We had confidence after Mike left here that he'd be in the NFL. We feel the same way about Brian. I'd be surprised if he's not in the NFL."

Smith, who attended the University of the Pacific his first year out of Cesar High School in Encino, already has scholarship

offers from San Diego State, Brigham Young, and Kansas State despite playing only five games last season after breaking his left arm. He completed 101 of 158 passes for 1,489 yards and 13 touchdowns, but his size, field sense, ability to throw the ball 65-70 yards almost effortlessly, and understanding of the game convinced those who matter most that he was a keeper.

Smith, a strapping 6-3, 235-pounder may never have gotten where he is had his father not eased up on him while he was playing Pop Warner football. During a ride home and some constructive criticism after one practice, a tearful Cody Lee said, "Dad, don't do anything right?" Stunned, Darryl said, "Cody, sometimes dads are idiots. I'm sorry." Since then Smith's been having fun and keeping his can't-miss future in perspective.

## TOP JUCOS MOVING ON

Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Junior college	College
Derek Barton	OL	6-7	285	San Bernardino Valley, CA	California
Philip Benton	LB	6-3	248	NW Mississippi	Georgia
Gordon Brown	DB	5-9	165	Hutchinson, KS	Kansas State
Jason Can	KP	5-11	185	East Central, MS	Louisiana Tech
Daymon Carter	RB	6-2	210	San Francisco, CA	Kentucky
Perez Davis	OL	6-6	330	Garden City, KS	Clemson
Jimmy Dean	WR	5-11	180	Butler County, KS	Kansas State
Ray Eagle	DL	6-4	285	Garden City, KS	Oklahoma State
James Elliot	RB	6-0	240	Garden City, KS	Fresno CA
Brad Ford	DB	6-0	180	Fresno CA	Alabama
Gilbert Grant	WR	6-0	180	Mesa, AZ	Georgia
Johnny Harper	DB	5-11	180	De Anza, CA	San Jose State
Albert Jackson	DL	6-3	260	Nassau, NY	Wisconsin
Keyshawn Jackson	WR	6-5	200	W Los Angeles	Southern Ca.
Tim Johnson	OL	6-5	292	Jones, MS	Florida State
Brian Knuckles	RB	6-1	205	Colleyville, KS	Nebraska
Darren Larsen	TE	6-6	242	Dixie, UT	Wisconsin
Tom Luginbill	QB	6-1	175	Palomar, CA	Georgia Tech
Tyrone Marshall	DB	6-0	188	Trinity Valley, TX	Brigham Young
Orpheus Pove	DL	6-6	285	Jones, MS	Florida State
Coswell Sims	WR	5-9	165	Georgia Military	Louisville
Damon Terrell	WR	6-3	220	El Camino, CA	Arizona
Scott von der Ahe	LB	6-1	235	Saddleback, CA	Iowa
Larry Williams	DL	6-3	268	Mississippi Delta	Mississippi St.
Pat Williams	DL	6-3	275	Navarro, TX	Texas A&M

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Tommy Blackmon	WR	5-11	180	Navarro, TX
Jeff Clayton	RB	6-0	200	Orange Coast, CA
Odei Collins	RB	6-2	235	Merced, CA
Josh Davis	DL	6-3	303	NE Oklahoma A&M
Keith Drayton	DL	6-2	290	Northwest Missouri St.
Donna Embra	DL	6-4	270	NE Oklahoma A&M
Jason Ferguson	DL	6-4	310	Lawrence, MS
Shad Hinchey	DB	6-0	175	Saddleback, CA
Eric Hines Tucker	RB	5-9	195	Jones, MS
Essex Law	RB	6-1	220	Butler County, KS
Frank Middleton	DL	6-4	300	Fort Scott, KS
Nathan Parks	OL	6-8	285	Bullock, CA
Dameon Porter	WR	6-1	165	Palomar, CA
Glen Russell	OL	6-4	270	Southwest, Missouri
Porcho Sales	LB	6-0	215	Colleyville, KS
Steve Sarkanian	QB	6-2	195	E Camino, CA
Mike Sellers	LB	6-4	235	Walla Walla, WA
Kerry Sverland	DB	6-0	175	Navarro, TX
Cody Lee Smith	QB	6-3	235	Mc. San Antonio, CA
Derek Smith	LB	6-2	225	Snow, JT
Sam Tagaloa	OL	6-4	290	San Francisco, CA
Henry Thomas	DL	6-3	260	Hutchinson, KS
Diamond Williams	WR	6-2	180	San Bernardino, CA
Aaron Woods	DB	5-11	190	Elsworth, IA

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# deep south

## southeastern conference

### EAST DIVISION

#### FLORIDA

Few teams have been successful stopping Florida's potent offense since Steve Spurrier's arrival in Gainesville. Just ask West Virginia, which entered last year's Sugar Bowl unbeaten but departed with a 41-7 loss. But the Gator offense was stopped recently and Spurrier felt good about the result—for it was the Florida defense that caused the problem. Now the Gator defenders are aiming to have the same effect on opposing teams.

While the Florida offense has generally played to rave reviews, the defense has known its difficult days. Those days may have ended. In spring drills, the Gators unveiled a new alignment, the multiple-40 which has a base 4-3-4 look and utilizes nickelbackers. It appears the change will be worth much more than five cents to Florida's hopes of defending its SEC title. Just how much improvement has the Florida defense



KEVIN CARTER  
Florida

TERRY DEAN Florida

Jay Metz

shown? In the spring's final scrimmage the offense—a Steve Spurrier offense, remember—failed to score until goal-line work at day's end. The defensive switch could finally lead the Gators not only to a third straight SEC East Division crown and second consecutive SEC title and Sugar Bowl berth, but to a loftier goal: the national championship.

Certainly, defense isn't the Gators' only strength. The offense remains a score-from-anywhere-at-any-time threat. There are several all-star candidates on the roster and the reserve strength is the best in the league. Combine those factors with seven home games and a 23-1 home record since Spurrier's arrival (the only loss coming to Florida State last season), and that leads to huge expectations. Five regulars are back on offense, but the talent pool is deep. On defense, there are eight returning starters and

a new attitude and more aggressive approach. The toughest part of the Gators' season is a pair of difficult road games Tennessee on September 17 and Florida State on November 26.

Ben Hanks and Darren Hambrick should become popular with Gator fans as the starting nickelbackers. The defensive front will feature ends Kevin Carter and Mark Campbell, with the tackle spots going to Ellis Johnson and Henry McMillan. At linebacker, the Gators will be led by Dexter Daniels and James Bates. The secondary is among the best in the league with Larry Kennedy, Anthony Lott, Lawrence Wright, and Michael Gi-

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1. Florida\*
2. Tennessee
3. Georgia
4. Kentucky
5. South Carolina
6. Vanderbilt

##### *west division*

1. Auburn
2. Alabama
3. Arkansas
4. LSU
5. Mississippi State
6. Mississippi

\*SEC Champion

more starting

From that group, Carter and Kennedy are sure all-SEC candidates with others expected to get a lot of attention.

There's more. Florida has not one but two armed and dangerous quarterbacks returning: Terry Dean and Danny Wuerffel. They shared starting duty a year ago and it appears they will split time again this season, although Dean enters fall workouts as No. 1

Both are proven players. Errict Rhett is gone but there are four tailbacks ready to replace him in Tony Davis, Elijah Williams, Tyrone Baker, and Terrence Foy. At fullback are Chris Bilkie, Dwayne Mobley, and Jerome Evans. The offensive line is solid, anchored by all-SEC candidate Reggie Green and Jason Odom at tackle. Guards are Jeff Mitchell and Donnie Young, with David Swain set at center. A battle is on for the starting tight end, with Shawn Nunn, Taras Ross, and walk-on Tremayne Allen in the hunt. Of course the spotlight position for Florida is receiver, and all-SEC candidate Jack Jackson leads the way. Aubrey Hill, Chris Doering, and Soraia Palmer provide ample help but with six all-star freshmen signed, don't be surprised to find a couple of the youngsters contributing as well.

As though Florida isn't deep enough, Lou Groza Award winner Judd Davis returns at place-kicker and Shayne Edge is back as the punter.

**Heath Shuler**, the Heisman Trophy runner-up, decided to leave the Vols a year early and join the NFL. That decision probably helped Tennessee land Peyton Manning, one of the nation's most highly recruited prep. The son of former Ole Miss All-America Archie Manning is expected to make a strong bid for the starting job. Just how the Vols' quarterback position develops could be a key in how their season develops.

It would be easy to consider Tennessee's losses—not only is Shuler gone but so are tailback Charlie Garner, receivers Cory Fleming and Craig Faulkner and six defensive starters from a year ago—and term this a rebuilding season. Not so. There is plenty of talent in Big Orange Country again. With out a doubt whoever wins the starting quarterback job will be well-protected. Tennessee boasts the best offensive line in the league, perhaps the best in the land. For

**JOHN BECKSVOORT** Tennessee



sheer athletic talent, Tennessee can match any team. The Vols could give Florida a strong challenge in the East.

It starts up front on the offensive line, where every starter returns. Center Bubba Miller is an all-SEC candidate, as are guard Jeff Smith and tackle Jason Layman. Rejoining them are guard Kevin Mays, tackle Leslie Ratliff, and tight end David Horn. Manning creates interest and competition for senior Jerry Colquitt and junior Todd Helton. At fullback, James Stewart has plenty of talent and the Vols have plenty of depth (Aaron Hayden, Jay Graham). Mose Phillips and Eric Lane should fill the fullback role. Yet another all-SEC candidate, kicker John Becksvoort, is back.

On defense, it's more of the same for Tennessee. All-SEC candidate Ben Talley is back at linebacker with Scott Gaynor and George Kidd. The secondary is loaded with all-SEC candidate Jason Parker at free safety and cornerbacks DeRon Jenkins and Ronald Davis. But the key will be the play of the line. Shane Burton moves from offense to defensive end opposite Steve White. Cory Stone and Leland Taylor are set at the tackles. Raymond Austin fills in the other backfield slot. Punter Tom Hutton returns with a 40-yard average.

The schedule could present some problems for the Vols. As in the past, they must play well early to put themselves in contention position late in the season. Tennessee opens with a trip to UCLA, then visits Georgia before hosting Florida and returning to the road to meet Mississippi State. If the Vols can get past that portion of the schedule, they should be on their way to the SEC championship game.

#### GEORGIA

The Bulldogs remain a mystery. Although there have been good recruiting classes in recent years and talent on the roster, especially at the skill positions, Georgia has failed to produce the type of record expected in recent seasons. The heat is building on head coach Ray Goff. Perhaps the biggest change at Georgia is on the sideline, where four new coaches will try to help Goff turn around the Bulldogs' disappointing 5-6 record of a year ago. Marion Campbell, the former head coach of the Atlanta Falcons, takes over as defensive coordinator. Greg Davis, former Tulane head coach and quarterback coach at Texas A&M, will be in charge of the Dawgs' quarterbacks. Steve Dennis returns to his alma mater as secondary coach and David Kelly joins the staff as running backs coach.

Georgia's offense begins with Z, as in Eric Zeier. Last season, when Goff turned him loose, Zeier put up impressive numbers. The senior all-SEC and Heisman candidate, who holds 61 school and 11 SEC records, completed 63 percent of his attempts last fall for more than 3,500 yards and 24 touchdowns. Zeier will have to work without all-conference tight end Shannon Mitchell and All-America tackle Bernard Williams, but he'll have help. Tailback Terrell Davis is back

along with all-SEC Brice Hunter and fellow receiver Hasion Graham. David Weeks returns at center, Steve Roberts and Troy Stark at guard, and Adam Meadows at tackle. Georgia finished third in the league in total offense and second in passing offense, but was last in rushing, an area that traditionally has been a strength. Goff has said that improving the running attack is a priority. Although Zeier had success throwing the ball, his effectiveness was hampered because of a lack of a running attack.

Another area of concern is defense where Georgia was last in the SEC against the rush and 11th in total defense, allowing 381 yards per game. That's where Campbell comes in. He must focus attention on the problems at the line of scrimmage and make the Bulldogs a more aggressive unit. Five starters are back: tackle Matt Sturm, all-league inside linebacker Randall Godfrey and backs Carlos Yancy, Ralph Thompson and Buster Owens. There are even a couple of other experienced linemen returning. Travis Jones returns from a kidney disorder that kept him out last fall. Jeff Kaiser, who missed last season with a knee injury, is also



**ERIC ZEIER** Georgia

back. Phillip Daniels, who started at tackle last season, has been moved to outside linebacker in hopes of filling a void left by the loss of Mitch Davis and Carlo Butler. Another former tackle, Derrick Smith, will probably get the other outside linebacker post. In the secondary, Will Muschamp, Robert Edwards, Alandus Sims, and Erik Robinson will vie for the remaining spot and provide the Bulldogs with perhaps their deepest unit. Place-kicker Kanon Parkman returns and Brett Pellock looks to take over the punting chores for Scot Armstrong.

One of Georgia's problems in the past has been a slow start, and this season could be trouble. The biggest challenge will come on the road, where the Dawgs must play Alabama, Florida, and Auburn. Three of the final four games are on the road.

There is excitement in Kentucky and there are questions. There is progress and there is close-but-no-cigar. That leaves the Wildcats improved, yet with more ground to cover. Last season they posted a 6-6 mark in a year that was inconsistent. For example, Kentucky won four of its first six games last fall including victories over Ole Miss (shutout), South Carolina, and LSU. The Cats also led Florida with three seconds to play, fell to Clemson by one point in the Peach Bowl (14-13), and got as far as the Georgia 28 before suffering an interception with nine seconds to play in a 33-28 loss.

Kentucky has talent—there's sophomore all-SEC running back Moe Williams and free safety Melvin Johnson—but there are also questions. Starting quarterback Pookie Jones may opt to play professional baseball and skip his final season of eligibility. Fourteen starters are back, but there are some key spots to fill. The Cats' recruiting class was ranked No. 13 in the country, but some of those players may be forced into action before they are ready. Last season, six freshmen, including Williams, played extensively. This year, the Wildcats will look to junior college signees to help right away—and perhaps some freshmen, too. This could be the season Kentucky has wanted and needed for several seasons, or it could be another disappointment.

Defensively, coordinator Mike Archer, the former LSU head coach, has Kentucky headed in the right direction. Offensively, the Cats are returning to a stack-I formation following a two-year absence, but will add

candidates. Regardless, Williams and Carter will get the football a lot and returning starter Damon Hood at fullback will also be a key. On the line, four starters are gone, including tackle Chris Page, who is being forced out because of a herniated disc. Tackles Mark Askin and Aaron Purdie are the most experienced players. Split end Randy Wyatt is back, but he caught only 13 passes all season. Sophomore flanker Jaysuma Simms caught just two. At tight end, three players with a combined two receptions last season will vie for the starting nod. Place-kicker Nicky Nickels hit four of six field goals last fall, but none was more than 34 yards. He'll be challenged by Brian Sivinski.

End Howard Carter and tackle Robert Stinson lead the way up front on defense. Linebacker David Shadron will offer some experience, as will cornerback Steven Hall and free safety Melvin Johnson. Again, young players and juco transfers must help immediately. Dan Ariza is the punter. City College of San Francisco will open a branch office in Lexington with four former CCSF standouts playing for the Cats. Carter is the most notable but quarterback Gray, cornerback Reggie Rusk, and free safety George Harris all have potential.

The schedule could create some problems. The Cats open the season against rival Louisville, a school it hasn't played in football in 70 years, followed by a road trip to Florida. After two home games, it's back on the road to face Auburn and LSU. They finish the year at Tennessee.

#### SOUTHERN CROWN

The Gamecocks have a new coach, a new attitude, a new defensive alignment, and a new chance to better their standing in the SEC. They also have some of the troubles that have plagued them in the past. Brad Scott takes over a team that posted an upset of Georgia in its '93 season opener and then lost seven of its next 10 games, including the final three. Smith, the former offensive coordinator at national champ Florida State, was hired to breathe life into the offense—and to win. South Carolina hasn't had a winning record since 1990 and is coming off a season in which the Gamecocks ranked 11th in the league in rushing offense and 10th in scoring and rushing defense. Just like last season, their final three games pit them against Tennessee, Florida, and Clemson, the last two on the road.

There is clay with which Scott can mold a challenge. He has all-SEC running back Brandon Bennett back, as well as quarterback Steve Taneyhill. In fact, there are seven returning starters on offense, including the top three receivers (Toby Cates, Mike Reddick, and Bennett) and four linemen. Tight end Boomer Foster is back along with guard James Dexter, center Vincent Dinkins, and tackle Luther Dixon. Look for the Gamecocks to become more aggressive on offense, taking a few more chances under Scott in an attempt to make things happen. Taneyhill has the arm to supply points (more than 1,900 yards passing last fall), but he also has a tendency to overthrow (6 TD passes and 14 interceptions). Bennett is a double threat because he is an excellent runner (853 yards) and receiver (282 yards). Joe Troup, Cleon Jones Jr., Reddick, and

Stanley Pritchett offer help at running back and fullback. Monty Means, Calvin Owens, and Corey Bridges aid the receiving corps. The line should be improved and more experienced this season.

Six starters return on defense, led by all-star candidate Stacy Evans at end and tackle David Turnipseed, who missed the second half of last season because of finger surgery. Nose guard Eric Sullivan is a key asset. The secondary is led by cornerback Ron Nealy and strong safety Tony Watkins while the linebackers are anchored by James Flowers. Changes are planned on the unit, which will also take a more aggressive approach and a bit of risk-taking aimed at trying to make something happen. Coordinator Wally Burnham will line the Gamecocks in the 4-3, a defense better suited to



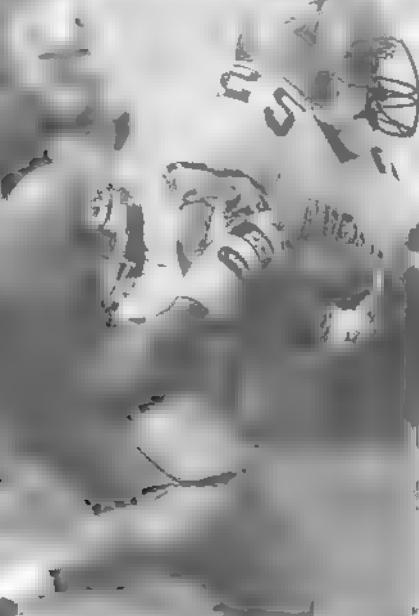
**BARRY LUNNEY JR.** Arkansas

stop the run. The plan is to attack whenever possible with the use of three linebackers (instead of two) lined up inside the tackles to help create that pressure. The alignment also allows the Gamecocks to make quicker adjustments to opposing offenses. Look for the secondary to employ a lot of man-to-man coverage.

Some young players will have to step forward to add depth. If the Gamecocks get such help, they will be an improved team.

#### FRONT LINE

It's the same old story for the Commodores. Expectations are high, prognostications are not. Head coach Gerry DiNardo's run-oriented offensive approach has enjoyed only spot success in his three previous seasons at the helm. The numbers seem to slack up against the Commodores. Last season Vandy was 1-7 in the SEC, 4-7 overall (non-conference victories against Wake Forest, Cincinnati, and Navy). It was also last in total offense, passing offense, and scoring offense; 11th in passing defense and scoring defense and ninth in total defense. There's no room for improvement. There's more. Only four seniors are on the roster, a mere 25 lettermen are back, and DiNardo will push seven redshirt freshmen into duty.



**SAM SHADE** Alabama

multiple formations in an attempt to create more options. The move is aimed at taking advantage of the skills of Williams and juco transfer Daymon Carter, who broke all of O.J. Simpson's rushing records at City College of San Francisco.

If Jones returns, Kentucky's offense will be more versatile. If not, it opens up a four-man race, with Jeff Speedy, Matt Hobbie and juco transfer Eric Gray the leading can-

on defense alone. The 11 starters who return must step up their play.

The schedule will not help. Four of the first six games are on the road, including three consecutive road trips. What's more, they must end the year against Florida and Tennessee, both at home. Yet there is this: DiNardo's 13-20 mark at Vandy represents the most victories in a three-year period since the 1982-84 seasons, and DiNardo's teams have won at least four games each season in that span, the first time that has happened since 1973-75.

Sophomore quarterback Ronnie Gordon will probably lead the I-bone attack, although junior college transfer Ed DeMesa could challenge. Gordon started the final four games led Vandy to a 2-2 mark in that span, and collected 400 yards passing, 139 rushing and four touchdowns. DeMesa passed for more than 1,200 yards and 10 TDs last fall. Redshirt freshman Marcus Lewis could also figure into the mix. Eric Lewis, known mainly as a small but solid blocker returns at wingback. He averaged 7.9 yards per carry but had just 22 carries. Cliff Deese, a two-year backup, is expected to start at tailback and Royce Love will return to fullback. Tackle Owen Neil, center Richard



WILLIE WHITEHEAD Auburn

Saenz, and tight end Robert Couch are all returning starters but the backups are inexperienced. Kenny Simon, who switched from quarterback to split end in the middle of the season, will get help from Sanford Ware, Gabe Banks, and Bobby Jackson.

Inexperience will dominate the defense. Only tackles James Manley and Brian Boykin, linebacker Gerald Collins, and strong safety Eric Vance return to their starting positions. The unit will be built around Collins, an all-star candidate. After the four returnees the Vandy defensive roster is young. The key will be finding a pair of ends to help supply pressure, as was the case last year, when the Commodores set a school record with 29 sacks. Steve Yenner (8 of 13 field goals, including a 53-yarder against Auburn) and punter Bill Marinange (36.5-yard average) are back.

## AUBURN

Improbable best describes the Tigers' 11-0 record and No. 4 national ranking in the final Associated Press poll last season. The same word could also be used in response to a proposed repeat performance this fall. Improbable, not impossible. Not after last season. There are several reasons Auburn will have a shot at repeating as the team with the best league record. It is strong in the secondary and at linebacker. On offense, there is a solid group of receivers, depth at tight end, and talent on the line. In all, 15 starters are back from a year ago. There are also a few question marks. One thing remains the same, however. The Tigers, in the final year of a two-year NCAA probation, are not eligible to win the conference title or participate in postseason play.

The most apparent changes are in the offensive backfield, where every starter was lost. Redshirt freshman quarterback Damayne Craig should get lots of attention. He is a creative, elusive player with a strong arm, quick feet, and an ability to turn a loss into a gain. Craig's lack of experience may favor junior Patrick Nix, who enters fall drills as the starter. Nix has played only briefly in two seasons as Stan White's backup, throwing fewer than 30 passes. He is solid but unproven and lacks Craig's flashes. Junior Stephen Davis selected the national prep offensive player of the year back in 1991 figures to step in at tailback, replacing James Bostic, who skipped to the NFL. Davis will be pushed by junior Raymond Malcolm. At fullback, junior Harold Morrow and sophomore Demond Fields lead the way.

All-SEC candidate Frank Sanders and Thomas Bailey are the Tigers' top wide receivers, with Willie Goshia, Tyrone Goodson, and Robert Scott adding depth. Three players will get playing time at tight end: juniors Andy Fuller and Derrick Dorn and sophomore Jessie McCovey. All-SEC candidate Jason Taylor heads the line along with center Shannon Roubique. Sophomore starter Willie Anderson moves from guard to tackle.

Auburn's secondary is loaded, so much so that former honors candidate Fred Smith, who missed all of last season with a knee injury, may have trouble cracking the starting lineup. The group is led by all-SEC cornerback Chris Shelling and potential all-star Calvin Jackson, one of the best cover guys in the league. Brian Robinson starts at free safety and Orlis Mounds at strong safety. At linebacker, the Tigers feature Jason Miska, a walk-on who led the team in tackles last fall, and Anthony Harris. Terry Solomon and Marcelius Mostella also figure in the plans. All-SEC candidate Willie Whitehead fills one end with Alonso Etheridge slated for the other. The position has good depth. Along the line, all-SEC candidate Mike Pelton is at one tackle, with Gary Walker and Ramon Luster pushing for the other. All-America candidate Terry Daniel returns as the punter but the Tigers are looking for a place-kicker, perhaps freshman Kevin Gentle or returnee Matt Hawkins.

Auburn's biggest obstacle could be its schedule, which features most of its key games—Ole Miss, Florida, and Alabama—on the road. All three of those were home victories a year ago.

## WEST DIVISION

### ALABAMA

The Crimson Tide has built a strong reputation on defense over the years, and this year's unit is not expected to bring any dishonor to that tradition. Alabama will be a tough team to score against. Offensively, there are some questions and some holes that must be filled.

In an effort to answer the questions and come up with a solution to the problems the school brought back offensive coordinator Homer Smith, who spent the previous four seasons at JCLA. When last at Alabama, Smith had the Tide's offense clicking with Gary Hollingsworth at quarterback. Smith's first decision will be to decide on who will call the signals. Alabama has three choices: senior Jay Barker (who missed all of spring drills because of reconstructive knee surgery), junior Brian Burgdorf (who received most of the work during spring and was the MVP of the Gator Bowl), and sophomore Freddie Kitchens (who underwent shoulder surgery following spring practice). Each has good qualities and ability. Barker, because of his experience and leadership, would be the first choice. Once a quarterback is selected, he will be forced to play behind a line that has only one returning starter—and that player, Jon Stevenson, has been moved from guard to center. There is talent, just a lack of returning starters.

The receiving positions will also be without key personnel. David Palmer and Kevin Lee, both second-round NFL draft picks, are gone and will be missed. Taking their places will be Toderick Malone, Curtis Brown, and Chad Key. The biggest loss is Palmer, a player who could turn a four-yard catch into a 50-yard TD run. The other skill positions are in good shape. Tight end Tony Johnson returns with Patrick Hape as backup. Sherman Williams, an elusive runner, will step in at tailback with Brian Steger also making waves at the position. Tarrant Lynch will be the fullback, with Taurus Turner offering assistance.

Defense is the Tide's pride, for good reason. The secondary is talented and hard-hitting, led by all-SEC candidate Sam Shade at strong safety. Tommy Johnson has all-star potential at cornerback and Willie Gaston is a proven player. Cedric Samuel will probably step into the vacancy created by the loss of Antonio Langham. The linebacker spots are also loaded, led by Michael Rogers inside and Darrell Blackburn outside. The ends are also solid with Everett Brown and Dameian Jeffress. Shannon Brown will be the nose guard. Alabama is also set at its kicking positions, with all-star candidates Bryne Diehl at punter and Michael Proctor returning as place-kicker.

The Crimson Tide may not be polished at the start, but its schedule will allow for development. Alabama plays five of its first six games at home. A road trip to Tennessee on October 15 begins the final stretch that includes two other away games (LSU and Mississippi State).

## MISSISSIPPI STATE

Improvement was what Danny Ford promised when he took over the Razorback program, and he got it, although admittedly it developed much slower than he anticipated. By the end of the year Arkansas was

showing progress. The Razorbacks defeated LSU, 42-24, in Baton Rouge in the season finale, the school's first-ever victory there. They also defeated Georgia (20-10) for the first time ever last fall and they finished 5-5-1. While Ford has Razorback fans excited about the progress of the team, he will get excited if he is able to find some quality players to fill some key vacancies.

The biggest change could be on offense, where Arkansas was dismal last season—finishing next-to-last in scoring offense and ninth in total offense. Left-handed junior quarterback Barry Lunney Jr., who also pitches for the baseball team, passed for more than 1,200 yards in an option attack last fall. Behind Lunney will be returning starters Oscar Malone at tailback and Oscar Gray at fullback. Depth is a key here, with Manus Johnson backing up Malone and Carlton Calvin pushing Gray for a starting spot. Both Malone and Johnson have shown flashes of game-breaking talent and Ford will put the ball in their hands often. On the line, Arkansas has a few problems. Only guard Pat Baker and tackle Verl Mitchell are returning regulars, although center Earl Scott has some experience. Some young, raw players must step forward. All-star candidate J.J. Meadors, the Razorbacks' big-play man, is back at flanker. Others to watch are split ends Kotlo Cotton and James Perry. Carl Johnson is expected to be the starting tight end after a redshirt season. Kevin Hile and Mark Baker add depth.

On defense, Arkansas has steadily shown its muscle and this year it features some top players. Nose guard Junior Sol' is an all-conference candidate, starts things up front with help from Marcus Adair at end and Vernon Wade at tackle. The remainder of the Razorbacks' defense will need some big-play help. Gone are Henry Ford, Orlando Watters, and Darwin Ireland. There is little experience at linebacker and the development of Mark Smith, Trent Knapp, Willie Johnson, and Anthony Hicks will be a key to the unit's success. Cornerback Dean Peevy and free safety Carl Kidd, both all-star candidates, head the secondary. The kicking game was a disappointment last year (a missed extra point cost the Razorbacks a victory against Mississippi State). Punter Matt Waite leads that race with David Boulware the place-kicker going into fall drills.

The Razorbacks have five road games, but their nonconference schedule (SMU, at Memphis State and Northern Illinois) should help and they play Alabama, LSU, and Ole Miss at home.

## LOUISIANA STATE

Athletic director Joe Dean informed LSU fans last season that Curley Hallman's job was not in jeopardy. When the Bengal Tigers defeated then-No. 5 Alabama, 17-13, right on the heels of a 19-17 victory over Ole Miss, the questions stopped. That was last season. With five starters lost on offense and five more gone from the defensive unit, LSU again faces a difficult year. There have been highly rated recruiting classes, but the majority of those players have not produced as expected—yet.

LSU's road is made even more difficult this year with a tough early schedule that features meetings with Texas A&M, Mis-

sissippi State, Auburn, and Florida in its first five games. The games against Auburn and Florida are on the road. The recruiting classes have started producing results but not as rapidly as expected. In fact, the Tigers once-loaded running-back contingent has been dramatically trimmed. The pressure returns—as though it ever really relaxed—to Hallman's shoulders on September 3, when the Tigers entertain Texas A&M, and will stay there until LSU produces as its fans expect—or the pressure will probably switch to someone else's shoulders.

Offensively, the only running backs to watch will be tailback Robert Toomer and backup David Butler. They will run the ball. The fullbacks, Brandon Stelly and Andre Guerin, will have two purposes, blocking and pass receiving, allowing LSU to skip the two-tight-end approach in favor of an extra receiver. The receivers are led by sophomore all-SEC candidate Eddie Kennison, who is a big-play threat. He has great speed and good hands and was the player LSU turned to most when it needed to make something happen. Senior flanker Brett Bech can also help, with Sheddick Wilson and Todd Burks expected to get plenty of playing time. Sophomore tight end David LeFleur caught only eight passes a year ago, but he is a key blocker and important cog in the attack.

Junior quarterback Jamie Howard will be the man in charge of the offense, the player who will be entrusted with getting the ball to Toomer, Kennison, Wilson, and Bech. He is improved and at times has been quite effective, but he lacks consistency. Casey Taber will be Howard's backup. Maybe, LSU fans are excited about the arrival of freshman Josh Booty, selected last season's national prep player of the year. Booty passed for more than 11,700 yards and 128 TDs in high school. On the line, tackle Marcus Price is back along with guard Ben Bordeau to help clear a path for LSU's skill-position players.

Defense holds the key. Last season the Tigers allowed opponents 28 points per game. If that continues, the heat on Hallman and the rest of the team will be intense. The unit is anchored by an experienced secondary that features strong safety Ivory Hilliard and returning starters Tory James and Rodney Young. James Gilyard is back at left end, flanked by tackle Nate Miller. Middle linebacker Mike Calais is also back. LSU coaches have said that their plan this fall is to turn their efforts more toward reaction and applying pressure at the line of scrimmage than toward reading the opponents' offense. Andre Lefleur appears to be the place-kicker and Burt Barrere the punter.

## MISSISSIPPI STATE

Expectations are again high in Starkville, just as they were a year ago, when the Bulldogs began the season positioned in the top 25, only to finish with a 3-6-2 overall mark and a 2-5-1 SEC record. MSU lost four of its first five games last year and had to settle for a tie with Arkansas State on homecoming. A season-ending victory over rival Ole Miss, a good spring practice, and 18 returning starters (10 on offense) have Bulldog fans eagerly awaiting the fall. And expecting more successful results. The schedule isn't overly difficult and Mississippi State's roster has

some talent. Still, the disappointment of last season lingers. The Bulldogs need to get off to a good start.

Offensively, that may be easier this year. The line not only returns intact, it is huge. Ten of the 16 linemen on the spring depth chart weigh at least 300 pounds. Center Brian Anderson, a mere 278, anchors the group and is an all-conference candidate. He is joined by guards Jason Wisner and Henry McCann and tackles Melvin Hayes and Jesse James. There's more experience at wide receiver with Chris Jones and Bernard Euel returning. Eric Moulds has moved in front of Euel with sophomore Kenny Causey also expected to provide plenty of help. At tight end, Kendall Watkins returns with Brandon Mann offering backup. Mississippi State should be able to run the football. It has an experienced line to go along with speedy and productive backs. Michael Davis returns at running back, with Kevin Bouie and Keifer McGee also available. The fullback slot will be filled by returning starter Fred McCrary, with redshirt freshman Nakia Greer figuring to get some time. Quarterback is the one spot without experience. Todd Jordan is gone and sophomore Derrick Taite steps into the No. 1 role. Sophomore Rodney Hudson may also get some work.

On defense, the Bulldogs have a few changes, most notably a switch from the 50 look of the past to a four-man front. Only one starter, tackle Jimmie Myles, is back, but there is young talent to choose from. Koché Anderson will claim one of the other line spots. Redshirt freshman James Grier deserves watching as does Eddie Maxon. Dwayne Curry is back at linebacker, where the Bulldogs will now use three at the position instead of four. Mike James, another returning starter, is also back. Reggie Wilson figures to land a job. Cornerbacks Walt Harris and Charlie Dawson return. Safeties Johnnie Harris and Andre Bennett. Place-kicker Tim Rogers returns and Andy Russ will handle the punting, possibly even some place-kicking work.

## MISSISSIPPI

Every other year, the Rebels experience a successful season. This is the other year in an even-numbered season. That's good news for the Rebels, statistically speaking. Since 1987, Ole Miss has averaged eight victories a season in even-numbered years. The average has been far less in odd-numbered years. That gives the Rebels some hope. More promise comes in the arrival of junior college quarterback Josh Nelson and his boss, new offensive coordinator Larry Kueck. Together they will direct a new, more wide-open attack. The Rebels' offense last fall ranked 11th in the 12-team SEC.

Before the celebration begins, there are some other things Ole Miss fans should recognize. The dark cloud of a NCAA investigation hangs over the program, a reality that will probably take its toll on the season. Thirteen starters are gone, including such notables as tailback Marvin Courtney, linebackers Dwayne Dotson and Cassius Ware, safety Johnny Dixon, and receiver Eddie Small. Truth is, this could be an odd-numbered season in an even-numbered year.

A year ago, Ole Miss had the nation's best defense, allowing just 234.5 yards per

game. The losses of Ware, Dotson, Dixon, and others will make a repeat of that accomplishment difficult. Heading this year's group are two all-SEC candidates, senior cornerback Alundis Brice and junior linebacker Abdul Jackson. Brice leads a talented, veteran secondary that includes strong safety Michael Lowery and cornerback Derek Jones. Joining that group at free safety is Antonio Bonner. Up front, tackle Norman Hand is the only returning regular, although tackle David McGowan and nose guard Huck Ferguson have experience.

Offensively, Nelson is the key. He arrived at Ole Miss in time for spring training and a week later he was the starter, with former quarterback Lawrence Adams moving to the secondary and possibly to wide receiver Josh established himself as the guy who can make this offense go. Ole Miss head coach Billy Brewer said "He's a better football player than we anticipated. He's got excellent feel, extremely quick hands and a strong arm." Assisting Nelson will be running back Doug Innocent and wide receiver Roell Preston. On the line, four starters are back: tight end Chris Turner, tackle Jeff Miller, guard Chris May, and center Darrell Moncus. Also returning is guard James Holcombe, who missed the '93 season because of a neck injury. Chris McCordie is expected to handle the punting duties and Walter Grant the place-kicking.

Ole Miss starts the season with Auburn and later plays a difficult stretch (Georgia, Florida, Arkansas, and Alabama) all but one of which a road game. Last year, the Rebels lost five of their last seven.

## Independents

### Predictions

#### Independents

1. Louisville
2. Southern Mississippi
3. Memphis
4. Tulane
5. Central Florida
6. Troy State
7. Western Kentucky
8. Samford
9. Alabama-Birmingham

### Louisville

The Cardinals soared high in 1993, and now they will try to avoid the kind of crash that followed successes of the past. Louisville enjoyed a triumphant 9-3 season a year ago, defeating Arizona State and Texas for the first time in the school's history and then capping it all off with a Liberty Bowl victory against Michigan State. Plus, the Cardinals set a record for home attendance, averaging 37,518 per game. This success brought back memories of 1990, when Louisville enjoyed its first 10-win season by knocking off Alabama, 34-7, in the Fiesta Bowl. The Cardinals, however, nosedived the following year, plummeting all the way to 2-9.

The loss of 15 starters from '93 portended another struggle heading into spring workouts, and then the bad news hit. First, standout junior defensive end Joe Johnson announced he was going pro. Then, All-America candidate cornerback Anthony Bridges and linebacker Marcus Hill were dismissed

from the team for "violating team rules." Add this news to the difficulties of a tough schedule (Kentucky, Texas, Arizona State, North Carolina State, Boston College and Texas A&M), and the odds seem long against the Cards remaining among the nation's top 25.

Coach Howard Schnellenberger must replace the heart of the offense. Jeff Brohm, a quarterback who smashed most of the school's single-season passing marks last fall, and running back Ralph Dawkins, Louisville's career leader in pass receptions. Junior Marty Lowe, who hit just 12 of 34 passes a year ago, should inherit Brohm's job.



MIKE CALAIS LSU

though sophomore Jason Payne is pushing him. Senior Anthony Shelman takes over for Dawkins with proven skills. He rushed for 124 yards against Memphis State and 126 against Tulsa. Junior tackle Roman Oben (6-4, 275), an All-America candidate, junior center Jason Stinson (6-4, 270), senior tackle Jermaine Williams (6-4, 283), and senior tight end Jamie Asher (6-4, 283) are back to anchor the front. Defensively, senior safety Terry Quinn and senior end Kendall Brown (6-3, 257) return to lead the way. Sophomore kicker David Akers and senior punter Brandon Brookfield also are back.

### Southern Miss

The Golden Eagles will look to soar with a new offense this year. Norman Joseph brings his multiple pro offense with a one-back influence from Northeast Louisiana as Southern Mississippi coach Jeff Bower's new offensive coordinator. "We have a new system going in, and it's going to be important for our players to pick it up quickly," Bower said. The Golden Eagles return 14 starters, seven each on offense and defense. They expect to be greatly improved over last year's disappointing 2-8-1 record, but they will be significantly tested with Texas A&M, Alabama, Florida, and Louisiana State on the road schedule.

Junior quarterback Kevin Bentley returns as the starter, though he hopes to improve upon last year's totals (13 interceptions and only 6 TDs). Seniors Tommy Waters and Rocky Carroll are waiting in the wings. "There is no question that when we have been an outstanding program, we have had a dom-

ninating player at quarterback," Bower said. Senior fullback Ronald Jones returns. Juniors Chris Buckhalter and Myron McKinney will both get work at tailback, with McKinney also figuring to see action in the slot as a receiver. Senior all-star candidate tackle Brent Duggins (6-5, 290) is back to anchor the line. Sophomore Ryan Pearson (17-204-2) is the leading returning receiver.

The team's best player is senior defensive tackle Michael Tobias (6-3, 275), an All-America candidate. He has 10 career sacks. Junior free safety LT Guley and junior kicker Johnny Lomoro are standouts.



MARTY LOWE Louisville

and Arkansas. The schedule isn't any easier this year, with a trip to Tennessee added in.

The rebuilding task is especially difficult on offense, where the Tigers must replace quarterback Steve Matthews plus their top two runners and receivers, including Isaac Bruce, the first Memphis player ever to go over 1,000 yards receiving in a season. Junior quarterback Tony Scarpino returns. He took over when Matthews was hurt, leading the Tigers to victories against Ole Miss and Southern Mississippi. Junior running back Frank Fletcher and sophomore Quitman Spaulding will be expected to make the running game work. Tight end Joel Peschke and junior classmate Marcus Holliday at fullback are the other returning starters.

Defense is where the Tigers' strength lies. All-America linebacker Danton Barto is gone, but senior end James Logan (6-2, 210) and sophomore linebacker Richard Hogans (6-2, 244) return. Logan had six sacks last fall and Hogans was a Freshman All-American. Junior nose guard Brian Barnett (6-1, 260), junior end Dan Bonner (6-0, 210), senior safety Barry Dillard and senior cornerback Ken Irvin lead the unit.

**TULANE**

Coach Buddy Teevens hopes to accelerate a slow and difficult rebuilding process this fall as the Green Wave tries to bounce back from 2-9 and 3-9 seasons. Teevens, in his third year, has brought in new offensive and defensive coordinators and made some strategic changes to jump-start the offense and stiffen the defense. Buddy Geis, offensive coordinator at Duke in '93, returns to Tulane, where he coached six seasons under Larry Smith and Vince Gibson (1977-82). He'll oversee an offense that will feature more one-back formations. Vic Eumont also returns to his roots as the defensive coordinator. He coached nine years at Tulane (1974-82) before heading off to New Mexico, Kansas, and Southwestern Louisiana and will oversee a new 4-3 scheme.

Nine starters return to an offense that struggled, averaging just 14 points, 96.7 yards rushing, and 211.9 yards passing per game. Junior quarterback Craig Randall, the starter most of last year, is back after throwing 14 interceptions and eight TDs. The Green Wave must replace one of its best players, receiver Wil Ursin, who caught 50 or more passes for three straight seasons. The unit's top player is senior guard Erik Bruce (6-4, 261). Sophomore Derrick Franklin is back after grabbing 31 passes.

Defensively, standout senior safety Mike Staid is one of five returning regulars. He's looking to lead the team in tackles for a fourth straight year and needs 118 to be-

come the school's career leader. Junior end Ryan Deaton leads the way up front.

**CENTRAL FLORIDA**

The Golden Knights, just two seasons after jumping to I-AA, return 17 starters and a handful of promising Division I-A transfers and are thus stocked to make a run at a fourth straight postseason playoff berth and a national title. They should be even better than last year's team which went 9-3 after a first-round playoff loss to Youngstown State, the eventual I-AA national champion.

Quarterback Darin Hinshaw and senior classmate David Rhodes are back to lead an offense that averaged 34.4 points and 424.3 yards per game. Though the school's career-rushing leader, Willie English, is gone, talented Florida State transfer Marquette Smith moves in at running back. Hinshaw threw for nearly 3,000 yards last fall and 28 TDs. Rhodes, a I-AA All-American, caught a school-record 90 passes and 15 TDs in 1993. Senior receiver Mark Whittemore provides another speedy target. The line is led by senior center Mike Grultaduria (6-3, 275), an honors candidate, and senior tackle Ray Forsythe (6-4, 320).

The defense's best player is end Greg Jefferson (6-3, 265), a senior All-America candidate who had 13 sacks a year ago. "I doubt if there is a better defensive player at any level," UCF coach Gene McDowell said. Two transfers from the University of Miami and one from Syracuse figure to further

strengthen the unit that held opponents to 122 yards rushing per game. Travis Cooper plays inside linebacker while his ex-Hurricane teammate Corries Hardy moves in at end. Former Orangeman Kendrick Thomas also should bolster the linebacking corps.

The Golden Knights will sample Division I-A play this year with a date at East Carolina on November 12.

**TRINITY STATE**

The Trojans answered questions about their ability to make the jump to Division I-AA last year with an exclamation mark: 10-0-1! They posted the first undefeated regular season in school history in their first year in I-AA. Coach Larry Blakeney's team didn't end its run until it was just one game away from playing for the national championship. The Trojans lost to Marshall, 24-21, in the semifinals, ending their season at 12-1-1.

The nucleus of that team is back: nine starters return on offense and seven on defense. The big question is who is going to replace quarterback Kelvin Simmons, the leader of a high-powered offense that averaged 36 points and 429 yards per game? Simmons threw for a school-record 31 TDs and more than 2,900 yards. Just as tough to replace will be receiver Orlando Parker, a fourth-round pick of the New York Jets. The quarterback favorite coming out of spring is junior Jeremy Rowell, a drop-back passer who threw just 12 passes last fall. He will be aided by the return of the offensive line and

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senior All-America candidate Robert Know (56 catches for 933 yards and 12 TDs). Defensively, senior safety Cedrick Brooks is being touted as an all-star after leading the Trojans in tackles. Seniors Sherman James and Byron Powell and junior Lonnie Randall return to anchor the front with outside linebackers Andrae Maxwell, a junior and Llyla Lawrence, a senior.

The schedule's tougher with Division I-A games at Southwest Louisiana and Cincinnati among seven road games.

#### WESTERN KENTUCKY

The Hilltoppers must replace the heart of their high-powered offense if they intend to build upon last year's success. Coach Jack Harbaugh must restock a backfield that was Division I-AA's best at running the football and the key to an 8-3 season. The '93 team was the first from Western Kentucky to lead the nation in rushing (300 1 yards per game), but three of the top four runners are gone. Quarterback Eddie Thompson, the team leader (830 yards), helped the Hilltoppers set a school record with 3,301 yards rushing. He will be tough to replace, but senior J.J. Jewell is eager to try. He threw for 112 yards in a relief role against Kansas State and ran for 92 against Western Illinois. He gets help with the return of all five starters on the offensive line, including senior center Ty Koon (6-4, 265), an All-America candidate. Speedy senior receiver Lito Mason

also is back. Sophomore Antwan Floyd and senior Davion Sarver will be expected to make the running game work.

The team's top seven tacklers are back, including inside linebacker Sheldon Benoit and senior classmate and all star candidate Danny Davis (6-2, 275) at tackle.

#### SAMFORD

The Bulldogs are still regrouping after the exodus of coach Terry Bowden to Auburn last fall. While Bowden enjoyed success in his first season with the Tigers, Samford struggled. After two straight appearances in the I-AA playoffs under Bowden, the Bulldogs dropped to 5-6 a year ago. The turnaround continues this year with Pete Hurt moving up from defensive coordinator to head coach. Chan Gailey left after one season to become an assistant coach for the Pittsburgh Steelers. Hurt has a solid nucleus to build on with 14 starters back.

Sophomore Bart Yancey returns to call the signals after 1,638 yards passing and seven touchdowns with 15 interceptions. Senior Damian Hines led the team in rushing with 677 yards out of the one-back set. Also returning is senior running back Anthony Jordan, a potential all-star, and sophomore Derek Staley. Senior Scott McFadden heads the receiving corps. Junior center Lance Mattes (6-2, 280) should be among I-AA's best linemen. The defense is making a switch from the 3-4 to a 4-3 alignment. Back to lead the change is senior tackle Chad

Mobley (5-11, 240), whose quickness makes him an honors candidate. Senior linebackers Jeremy Perkins and Bob Emerson and safety Carlton Golden comprise the backbone of the unit.

#### THE BLAZERS

The Blazers hope to build on a season-ending eight-game winning streak and take another step forward in the Division I-AA ranks this fall. UAB, in just its fourth year of football, moved from Division III last year and posted a 9-2 mark. The schedule, however, wasn't too demanding. Western Kentucky and Troy State, the only I-AA notables, gave the Blazers their only losses, pounding them by a total of 87-16. Still, the Blazers return 19 starters, and the confidence of not having lost in the season's final two months. The schedule gets a little tougher for coach Jim Hiley this year with a trip to Kansas.

Back to lead the offense is senior quarterback John Whitcomb, who threw for 447 yards in one game last year. He teams up with senior receiver Derrick Ingram, a second-team All-American in '93 who has caught passes in 24 straight games. Defensively, senior tackle Josh Evans (6-3, 295) is a three-year starter. Senior linebacker Wayne White is the leading tackler, and senior cornerback Don Blackmon had a team-high seven interceptions. Junior place-kicker Kevin Thomason made 15 of 19 field-goal attempts and has a school-record 52-yarder to his credit. □

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7. Pittsburgh
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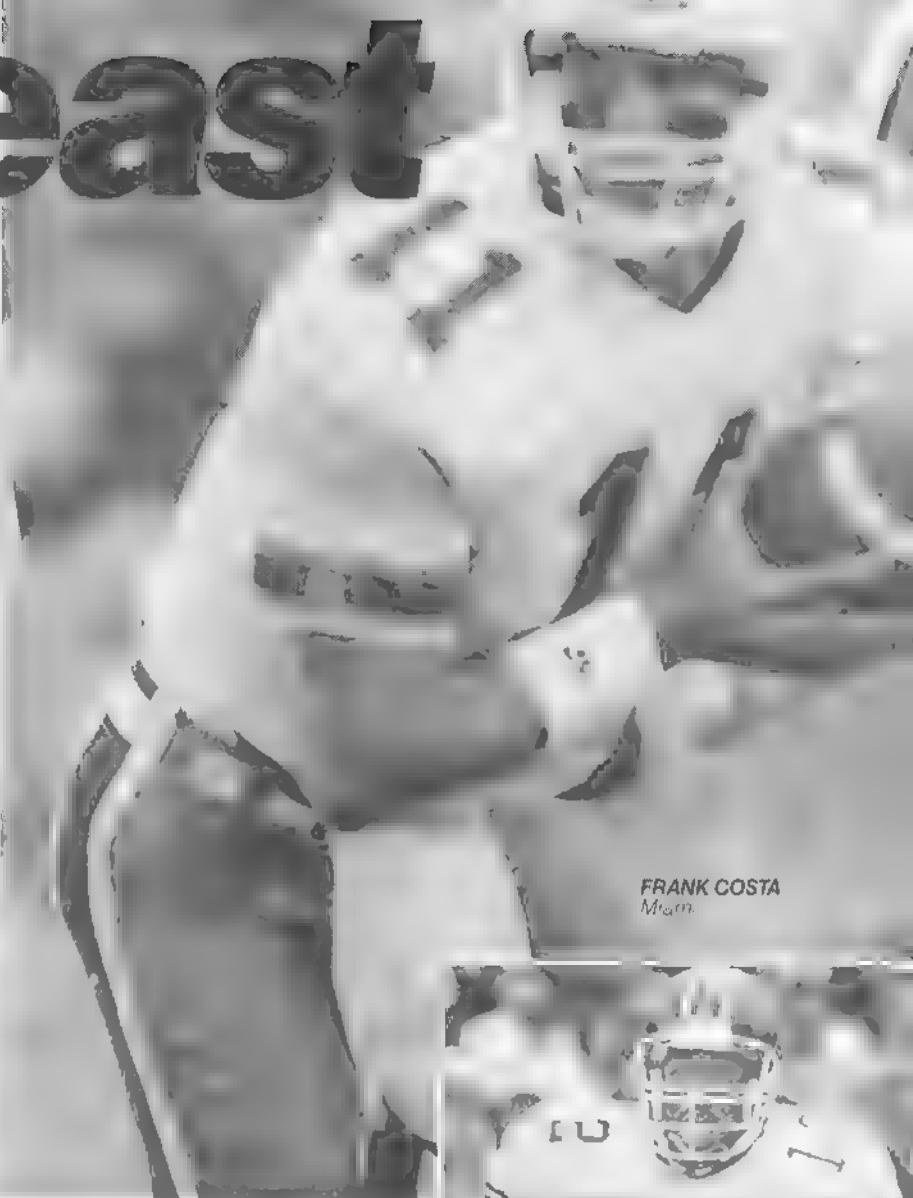
### ***big east conference***

The Hurricanes will begin workouts this fall motivated to prove their reign of domination has not ended. "I laugh when I hear people say that," Miami junior defensive tackle Warren Sapp said. "If it's the end, why didn't anybody want to play us in the Kickoff Classic this year? If you think Miami's dead, call down here and we'll go play you anywhere you want to play."

Sapp and teammates have listened to disbelievers, doubters, and doomsday forecasters throughout the offseason. Cynics see UM's fall from the mountaintop last year as a sign the program is eroding. "That's fantasy," sophomore running back Danyell Ferguson said. "That's a fairy tale."

The 'Canes were too human for the locals last year, falling to a 9-3 record. Though this would be exemplary at many programs, it was deemed abominable at a place where expectations have soared to unreasonable if not impossible heights. "You play for the national championship here," defensive end Kevin Patrick said after the 'Canes were humiliated, 29-0, by Arizona in the Fiesta Bowl. "If you're not No. 1, it doesn't matter if you are No. 2 or No. 100. The only good season is one that ends with a championship ring on your finger."

The season-ending loss was a loud thud as the 'Canes bottomed out in a disappointing finish that saw them lose two of their last three games. It was their worst loss in a bowl and marked the first time they had been shut out in 169 games, since a 30-0 loss to Alabama in 1979. The 'Canes fell out of the top 10 rankings for the first time since 1984. Still they return a sideline loaded with talent making this another national title contender. They should open on a rousing note, too. A victory against Georgia Southern September 3 in the Orange Bowl will be Miami's 58th straight at home, breaking Alabama's NCAA record. Home dates with Washington and Florida State and an early road trip to Arizona State rank as the steepest tests.



**FRANK COSTA**  
Miami

Mike Lester

Coach Dennis Erickson, who enters his sixth season at Miami with a 53-7 record will make his title run with defense. Though the 'Canes return only four starters, this unit will rank among the nation's most talented. Sapp (6-3, 300) could be the top player at his position in the land. Senior Pat Riley (6-6, 240) is potentially dominating at the other tackle spot, making this interior tandem perhaps the nation's best. Junior Rohan Marley (5-8, 205) is back with senior Corwin Francis at outside linebacker. Sophomore Ray Lewis is emerging as a standout. Senior free safety C.J. Richardson is the only starter returning to the secondary, but there's plenty of speed and talent stepping in.

Offensively, nine starters return, but this is where the biggest questions are. Will senior quarterback Frank Costa provide the leadership this one-back passing offense needs? Or will junior Ryan Collins re-emerge as the starter? The unit's most talented position is running back. Junior James Stewart is the leading rusher (604 yards). Senior Larry Jones (400) and Ferguson would be the top



**MAURICE DeSHAZO** Virginia Tech

backs at most other schools. UM's biggest problems were on the line and at receiver last fall. Inconsistent blocking and too many dropped passes plagued the Canes. Four of five starters, including senior guard Tirrell Greene (6-3, 300), return to the front. Senior Chris T. Jones (45 catches for 700 yards) is the only receiver assured of keeping his starting status as a stable of talented but young receivers vie to take over.

Junior punter Mike Crissy (39.6) and junior place-kicker Dane Prewitt also return.

## THE HOKIES

The Hokies confounded the experts last year with one of the nation's biggest turnarounds. They went from 2-8-1 in 1992 to 9-3 and a No. 20 national ranking. A 45-20 upset of Indiana in the Independence Bowl capped Frank Beamer's seventh season as head coach. "But this is just a sign of things to come," he said. "I have visions of Virginia Tech reaching even greater heights." Believe him. The Hokies should be among the leading challengers for the Big East championship after last year's fourth-place, 4-3 finish.

Under the direction of Heisman Trophy candidate Maurice DeShazo "the best option quarterback in college football," according to Beamer, the Hokies set school records with 4,885 yards in total offense, 52 touchdowns and 400 points. DeShazo became the most productive quarterback in Tech history, completing 56.1 percent of his passes for 2,080 yards and 22 touchdowns. He also gained 314 yards rushing. Split end Antonio Freeman returns as DeShazo's No. 1 target. Cornelius White and Bryan Stil are vying for the nod at flanker, with Jermaine Holmes, Michael Williams and William Farrell the backups. Bryan Jennings and Kevin Martin will share time at tight end. Junior Dwayne Thomas, the first Tech rusher to top 1,000 yards in a season since 1986, returns at tailback. Bullish Brian Edmonds moves up at fullback. Tommy Edwards and Randall White provide depth at tailback, with Rafael Williams backing up Edmonds. Billy Conaty has switched from tackle to center with the departure of All-America Jim Pyne. Guards Chris Malone and Damien McMahon return and Jay Hagood and Mike Branchin take over at tackle, with T.J. Washington, Anthony Kapp and Gennaro DiNapoli also in the mix. Tim Wade will back up Conaty.

Eight starters return from a young defensive unit that matured late in the year. Heading the cast is linebacker Ken Brown, an all-star candidate who logged a team-high 113 tackles. Sidekick George DeRicco, who had 103 tackles, also is back. Freshman speedster Korey Irby could be the third linebacker. Cornell Brown, Lawrence Lewis, and Hank Coleman are veteran ends, with J.C. Price, Waverly Jackson, and Jeff Holland the tackles. Safety Antonio Banks, the Independence Bowl's defensive MVP, leads the secondary. Torrian Gray is the rover, with junior William Yarborough and sophomore Larry Green experienced corners.

Ryan Williams gives the Hokies outstanding place-kicking. But punter Robbie Colley hopes to improve on his 38.4-yard average while maintaining good hang time.

31-13, in the Carquest Bowl. To match his predecessor's success, Henning must develop a capable quarterback and plug four other holes on offense. Eight starters return from a defensive unit that gave up 20.6 points and 326.2 yards per game.

Gone is all-Big East quarterback Glenn Foley, who passed for 10,039 yards and 72 touchdowns during his brilliant career. Last year he guided the Eagles to a school-record 5,570 yards and 34.3 points per game. Junior Jeff Ryan, sophomore Mark Hartsell and redshirt freshman Matt Hasselbeck are battling for the job. Henning also must replace fullback Darnell Campbell, a 1,071-yard rusher who scored 21 touchdowns. But David Green (399) returns at tailback, along with Anthony Comer (391) and Justice Smith. All-Big East tight end Pete Mitchell heads the receiving corps. He led the conference with 66 receptions for 818 yards and seven touchdowns and had the huge game against the Irish. Wideout Clarence Cannon will get help from speedy Greg Grice, sophomore Kenyatta Watson, and Tony Ransome. Backup tight end Gordon Laro, a solid blocker, may move to fullback. Center Tom Nalen, a four-year starter, and guard Mark Borrelli must be replaced. Junior Tim O'Brien or sophomore Brian O'Connor likely will succeed Nalen, with sophomore Mark Nor pairing at guard with Greg Landry, an all-Big East choice. Pete Kendall and Dan Oriskovich remain fixtures at tackle.

The defensive line looms as a chief strength. Tackles Chris Sullivan and nose guard Tim Morello return. Joe O'Brien, injured last season, may start at tackle. Outside linebacker Mike Mamula had 11 sacks among his 84 tackles. Ed Sanabria works the other side. All-Big East inside linebacker Stephen Boyd logged a school-record 161 tackles in only 10 games. Erik Lyman is a leading contender at the other spot, with Rupert English, sophomores Matt Haff and Brian



ROBERT WALKER West Virginia

Maye, and freshman Michael Hemmert providing depth. The secondary remains intact: Joe Kamara and Michael Reed at the corners and Terence Wiggins and Rob Clifford at the safety positions.

The kicking remains strong. David Gordon, who booted that memorable 41-yard game-winning field goal against Notre Dame, will handle placements. Punter Jeff Beckley averaged 40.6 yards.

## TOP COACHES

The Eagles had an 11th-hour changing of the guard. Tom Coughlin left suddenly to become head coach of the NFL's new Jacksonville franchise. Taking over the B.C. reins on March 2 was Dan Henning, himself a veteran of pro coaching wars. Coughlin capped his three-year stint by leading the Eagles to a 9-3 record and No. 12 national ranking. They upset then-No. 1 Notre Dame, 41-39, at South Bend and walloped Virginia,

## WEST VIRGINIA

The Mountaineers were full of surprises last year. Picked to finish fourth in the Big East, they captured the championship with a 7-0 conference record and wound up the regular season 11-0 overall. Their hopes for a share of the national title, however, were crushed by Florida in the Sugar Bowl, 41-7. Now Don Nehlen faces a considerable rebuilding task in his 15th year at Morgantown.

Tailback Robert Walker, who became WVU's all-time rushing leader (1,250), is the top holdover from an offense that averaged 447.3 yards and 40.9 points per game. Fullback Jim Freeman tackles Calvin Edwards and Chris Klick, and all-Big East guard Tom Robsock also return. But Nehlen lost quarterbacks Jake Keichner and Darren Studstill, who combined for 2,759 yards and 26 touchdowns, and the top three wide receivers, who totaled 96 catches and 1,906 yards. All-America tackle Rich Braham is gone. Sophomores Chad Johnston and Eric Boykin, a transfer from Michigan, will share the quarterbacking. Jimmy Gary, Jeff Nixon, and Khan Molt provide depth at tailback. Freeman is pressed at fullback by sophomore Kortney Barber, a transfer from Colorado. Lovett Purnell, Charles Washington and



ANTHONY COMER Boston College

Chad Wable make tight end a strength. Rahsaan Vanterpool, Zach Abraham and Tony Alexander are the wide receivers. Jay Brooks fills a void at center and Pete Trado will pair with Robsock at guard. Frank Gondorich, Derrick Bell, Joe DeLong, and Buddy Hager are reserves.

Only five starters return on defense. But there's slightly more experience—and less cause for concern—on that side of the ball. Ends Steve Perkins and Canute Curtis, a sophomore, excel as pass-rushers. All-Big East selections Barry Hawkins at tackle and David Mayfield at safety are back, along with linebacker Matt Taffoni and cornerback Aaron Beasley. Keith Morris or John Browning will be the other starting tackle. Puppy Wright or Bo Chatfield and Frank Browning or Elige Longino will team with Taffoni. Mike Logan and Harold Kidd round out the secondary, with Charles Emanuel, Vann Washington, and Randy Fulmore in the mix.

A.I.-B.g East punter Todd Sauerbrun, who broke his own school record (44.6-yard average) will handle kickoffs and long-range field goals Tom Mazzone will handle extra points and short field goals

## SYRACUSE

Dreams of a Big East championship and a shot at the national title were dashed in a nightmarish 1993 season. The Orange shockingly skidded to a 6-4-1 record, the school's poorest since 1986, and spent the holidays at home after six consecutive bowl appearances Fourth-year head coach Paul Pasquaoni still has some talented players available, but many new faces figure in the rebuilding process. Gone are such standouts as quarterback Marvin Graves, kicker/punter Pat O'Neill, wide receiver Shelby Hill, offensive lineman John Reagan, and defensive lineman Kevin McTeell

Replacing Graves obviously is the No. 1 task. The Johnny Unitas Award finalist owns virtually every school passing record Fifth-year senior Kevin Mason, who has little game experience (11 of 25 passes for 139 yards) and missed some spring work with a broken right hand, will inherit the quarterback job with redshirt freshman Larry Tyger the backup Wide receiver Marvin Harrison (41-813-7) is among five returning starters on offense. The others are tight end Eric Chenoweth, tackle Melvin Tuten, guard Cy Ellsworth, and center Dave Wohlabaugh. Jeysen Wilson likely will replace Hill, with Will Walker and Deon Maddox in reserve Jim Ledger at tackle and John Michaelidis at guard loom as new starters. Tailback Kirby Dar Dar is an explosive all-purpose runner (1,120 yards). The fullback will be inexperienced, with Roy Willis, Edmund Robinson, Ron Brockington, and Terry Morris contending

Six starters return on defense, where last year's unit uncharacteristically yielded 378.7 yards and 26.2 points per game Inside linebackers Nate Hemsley and Greg Shaw are back, as is outside linebacker Scott Freeney. Tackle Wilky Bazile is the only holdover up front, however, and cornerback Bryce Bevill and free safety Tony Jones return in the secondary. Dave Rebar and Antonio Anderson are top contenders at the other tackle, with Ed Hobson the probable replacement for Mitchell at nose guard Chris Marques or Dulayne Morgan will pair with Freeney at outside linebacker. Kevin Abrams and Chris Bryant are vying for a corner, with Darrell Parker and Karlos Jackson leading at strong safety Linebacker Dan Conley, granted a sixth season of eligibility by the NCAA, hopes his reconstructed knee will enable him to play

Sophomore Sean Reali will take over the place-kicking and punting from O'Neill, the Big East Special-Teams' Player of the Year

**Heavy injuries contributed to the Scarlet Knights' disappointing 4-7 record. That followed their first back-to-back winning seasons since 1979-80. Coach Doug Gruber remains confident, however, that his program is on the verge of producing big dividends He's attracting quality recruits and Rutgers has upgraded its football facilities The refurbished campus stadium now seats 42,000**



**TONY JONES** Syracuse

(up from 23,000) Gruber enters his fifth season with six starters back on each side of the ball. But this is a young squad that includes seven redshirt freshmen and 21 sophomores among the top 55 players

Tailbacks Terrell Willis and Bruce Presley, the Big East's last two Rookies of the Year, give Rutgers a potent 1-2 punch. They combined for 2,002 yards rushing and 17 touchdowns on 321 carries last fall Willis set an NCAA freshman record with 2,026 all-purpose yards. The run-oriented offense averaged nearly 400 yards per game and tied the school scoring record with 351 points. Ray Lucas, who started eight games, returns at quarterback. He passed for 1,011 yards and seven scores and added 220 yards and five touchdowns rushing Transfers Robert Higgins and Mike Stephens are backups. Steady Wes Bridges remains the fullback. The receiving corps must be rebuilt, with soph Reggie Funderburk and junior Eddie Walker the starters. Tight end Marco Battaglia is a third-year regular. Center John Bleich and tackle Ken Dammann anchor the line. Soph John Komar will be the other tackle, with freshman Jack McKiernan and Chris Kennedy the guards. Kareem Williams, who missed spring drills, has started

The Knights expect to be stronger on defense after surrendering 30.4 points and 396.2 yards per game. Gruber hired John Gutekunst as the new coordinator and switched from a 3-4 to a 4-3 alignment. Tackles Keif Bryant and Rashad Swinger return up front along with ends Bob Sneathen and Rudy Smith. Alcides Catanho, Brian Sheridan, and Bruce Spaulding have emerged as the top linebackers. But Mike Brestle and Rusty Swartz, holdover starters, will return after sitting out the spring. Corner-

backs Mike Roberts and Mike Fuliman are in the same situation, set to challenge Curtis Tribbit and Derek Ward. Mark Washington and Thomas Kelly are the starting safeties.

Eddie Duborg will succeed four-year place-kicker John Benestad, with Nick Sheremetta handling the punting.

In 1993 the Panthers won just three games—all on the road—for the second consecutive season. But Johnny Majors thought his young team showed some growth and maturity by year's end. With 20 starters returning, he's hoping for vast improvement this season, his second in his second stint as Pittsburgh's head coach

Workhorse tailback Curtis Martin and offensive tackle Reuben Brown are all-star candidates. Martin led the Panthers in rushing (1,075) and receiving (33-249). John Ryan passed for 1,284 yards, but he'll likely give way to junior college transfer Sean Fitzgerald, who threw for 3,100 yards at Los Angeles Valley College. Dietrich Jells, who had 55 receptions in 1992, is back from knee surgery and just three games last year. Other wide receivers include Billy Davis, Jay Jones, and Curtis Anderson. Tight end is a concern, with converted linebacker Tony Reardon joining holdovers Raymond Belvin and Chad Skrocki. Sophomore Billy West and junior Tim Colicchio are solid tailbacks behind Martin. Chad Dukes, a converted tailback, remains the starting fullback ahead of Maurice Washington. Anchoring the line with Brown is center Lawson Molica, a three-year regular, and tackle Matt Bloom. Sophomore Tim Glass and junior Brian Curran are new starters at guard

Safety Doug Whaley is the only regular missing from a defensive unit that should be much improved. Junior linebacker Tom Tuimulu, who had a team-high 114 tackles, and right tackle Tom Barndt earned all-Big East honors. Junior Zatiti Moody and sophomore Mike Mohring return at end, with soph Tim Robbins again pairing with Barndt at tackle. Gerald Simpson and Jon McCray are holdover starters at outside linebacker. Either Hayes Clark or Chris Patton will be the other starting inside linebacker. Cornerbacks Maurice Williams and Denorse Mosley will be joined in the secondary by Penn State transfer Ricky Rowe and soph Jim Williams or junior David Sumner

Steve Kalmanides will handle the place-kicking and Nate Cochran the punting

The Owls lost the last 10 games after winning their 1993 opener in head coach Ron Dickerson's first season. "Last year was a learning year," he said. "We are taking the 1994 season as a competitive year." With 15 starters returning, plus both kickers, Dickerson believes this will be a much better year for his team. Certainly success is sorely needed in a program which has produced just two winning seasons in the last 14. Temple, showing only four victories in three years, has yet to win a Big East game. Last year's recruits played 40-50 snaps a game. The incoming freshmen also are being counted on for immediate help

Dickerson is looking for more production from an offense that averaged only 235.6



**PHIL LANG** Temple

yards per game in '93. Henry Burr's and Phil Lang, who combined for 1,216 yards passing, return at quarterback. Marc Baxter heads the receiving corps. Tailback Ralphie Mack (570 yards) and fullback Sid Morse should be improved. Tight end P.J. Cook, center John Summerday, and huge junior tackle Jon Clark (6-7, 329) are standouts up front, where all-Big East tackle Tre Johnson graduated. Tackle Eric Johnson and guards Ed Bowen and Andrew Peterson (6-6, 320) round out the starting line.

Defensively, all-East junior linebacker Lance Johnstone led the team last year with

88 tackles, including 66 solo stops, and forced four fumbles. Andrew Brown, Shadrack Perry, Jon Swift, and Alshemond Singleton also have experience. Adrian Drones remains a fixture at one end, with sophomores Tealang Lloyd or Tim Terry starting at the other. Sean Carden, Andy Phillips, and Deandre McClurkin are the top tacklers. Ted McDuffie, Keno Cox, Robert McWilliams, and Frank Carter have started in the secondary. Phil Cox is challenging. Improvement in a unit that allowed 497.5 yards per game will hinge mainly on how the secondary matures.

Rich Maston will do the place-kicking and John Shay the punting.

### independents

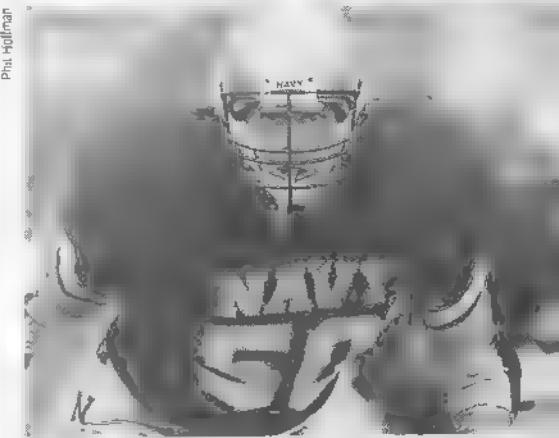
#### NAVY

Can the Midshipmen sustain for the entire season last year's 4-2 start? George Chaump thinks so if he can restock the offensive and defensive lines, areas hit hardest by graduation. Chaump considers the talent and depth at the skill positions the best in his five years as head coach. Despite finishing 4-7, last year's team broke or tied 16 school records. A winning season would be Navy's first in more than a decade.

Offensively, Navy looks strong at quarterback, receiver, and running back. Jim Kubik set 11 of his 14 records last season when passing for 2,628 yards and 11 touchdowns. But the standout senior must catch on his 17 interceptions. Four of the top six receivers return. All-star tight end Damon

Dixon (51-620-3), tight end Kevin Hickman (39-479-2), and wideouts Mike Jefferson and Matt Scornavacchi. Chaump expects greater ground product on than last year's paltry 89.5 yards per game from a new and swifter group of running backs. Monty Williams and Robbie Edwards have some experience. Up from the freshman ranks are Willie Smith, Omar Nelson, and Chris Rantz. The total new offensive line likely will consist of Garrett Smith at center, Alex Domino and either Bryce Minamyer or sophomore Brandon Morris at guard, and Dean Wakeham and Chris Eichinger at tackle. Sophomore Jonas Panik, Kris Martin, and Hunter Jones are in reserve.

**SHANE HALLORAN** Navy



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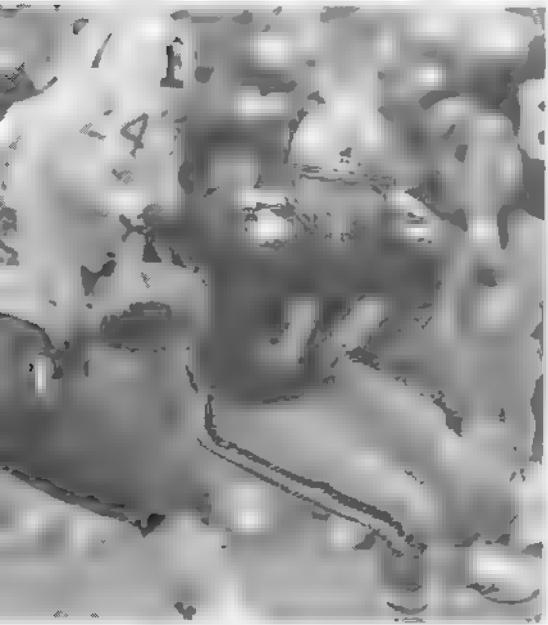
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**CANE SPORT**

Linebacker will be the strength of the defense, with Shane Halloran who logged 109 tackles last year, and Fernando Harris, Matt Kaslik, J.D. McBryde, and sophomores Mark Love and Clint Bruce provide depth. Three part-time starters return up front: end Andy Person and tackles Chris Reaghard and Erasto Jackson. Cornerback Chris Hart was an all-East choice. Joe Speed returns at free safety, with Andy Thompson at strong safety and Jonathan Wellington on the other corner. Ted Farrell and Keith Galloway also lettered.

Punter Brian Schrum hopes to become more consistent, sophomore Ryan Buccianeri will do the place-kicking.

The Cadets needed closing conquests of Lafayette and Navy last year to achieve their first winning season since 1990. With only nine starters back, it could be difficult for them to match that 6-5 record. But Bob Sut-



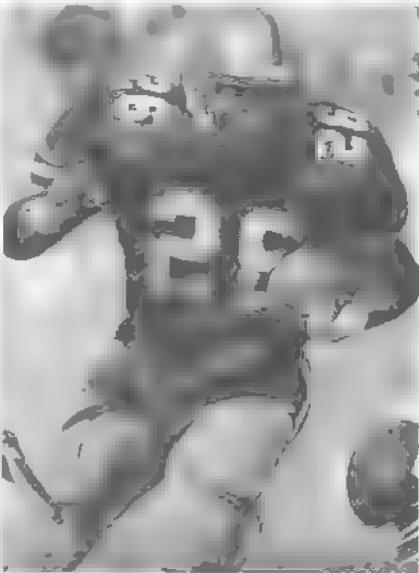
RICK ROPER Army

ton firmly believes he has sufficient personnel to keep Army on the plus side of the ledger in his fourth year as head coach. Playing seven games at West Point and two others on neutral fields should help.

Rick Roper, a starter in 19 of the last 20 games, returns to direct the wishbone attack. He rushed for nearly 1,100 yards and completed 110 of 189 passes for 1,441 yards over two seasons. Pressing him at quarterback are Mike Makovec and Steve Carpenter, both experienced but coming off knee surgery. All-star candidate Akili King at fullback was the team's top rusher, averaging 5.9 yards per carry and 110 per game. Backup Joe Ross, who started the final four games when King was hurt, also is back. Kevin Vaughn and Mike Robinson are the leading halfbacks. Split ends Leon Gant and Dondra Jolly figure to add firepower to an offense that averaged an impressive 370 yards a game in 1993. Sophomore Ron Lezhinski is the holdover starter at tight end, with Mike Williams behind him. Sutton must rebuild the interior line in which guard Ed Stover is the only returning regular. Leading candidates for the vacancies are guards

Josh Freeman and Gavin Lawrence, tackles Casey Minott and Bill Blair, and centers Mike Wells and Nathan Liles.

The defensive line also needs rebuilding, with tackle Joel Davis the keystone. Adrian Calame moved from inside linebacker to the other tackle slot in spring practice. Either Colin Kearns or Justen Hackenberg will start



AKILI KING Army

at nose guard. Linebackers Pat Work (inside) and Eric Oliver (outside) and safeties Jim Cantiello and Landis Maddox are assets. Outside linebacker Bob Heckathorne and cornerbacks James Chun and Jamie Wollocco are other probable starters.

Mark Houston (324) is the punter and Kurt Heiss takes over the place-kicking.

## patriot league

### *predictions*

#### *patriot league*

1. Lafayette
2. Bucknell
3. Holy Cross
4. Lehigh
5. Colgate
6. Fordham

Hank Small's sudden departure as Lehigh's coach last March following a championship season sent only mild shock waves through the Patriot League. A few days earlier, in a higher league, Jimmy Johnson had severed ties with owner Jerry Jones and the Dallas Cowboys after back-to-back Super Bowl victories. Insiders say Small devoted too much attention to the offense, whose passing game topped the league five years in a row and was among the national I-AA leaders. failed to win games he was supposed to win, and did not play on the emotions of his athletes. Defensive coordinator Kevin Higgins was promoted to head coach. His plans are to run the same basic offense this fall, but he will be without the major parts: quarterback Scott Semptimphelter and wideouts Dave Cecchini and Kevin Rubin.

Higgins is not alone. He thinks most I-AA programs are hurting for numbers. Every Patriot team has missing parts and a lack of

quality depth. In fact, the league is losing ground in being competitive with the Ivy League, its sister confederation with which it schedules most of its non-league games. The Ivis won 13 of the 19 meetings last fall; they're in good shape to improve on that this season. Last year's Patriot championship was decided on the final day. Look for more of the same this year. Lafayette, with tailback Erik Marsh and the best defensive line in the league, should prevail.

## leopards

The secret is for coach Bill Russo to have tailback Erik Marsh, the Leopards' career rushing leader (3,585 yards), still carrying the ball in late October when the league games begin. "Injuries will be the biggest factor," Russo said. "Teams play six games before they play any league games. Any team could have eight to 10 kids who are non-factors by that time." Marsh had a school-record 1,441 yards last fall on an ankle that never fully healed from a sprain in preseason camp. This year the Leopards have senior backup John Kahn, a 664-yard rusher in 1991 who missed '92 for academic reasons and '93 when he tore up a knee on the first day of camp. Russo spent the off-season plugging in new offensive linemen and linebackers, and shifting junior tight end Glenn Hunzinger to fullback and senior fullback Chris SanGiovanni to tight end. Junior quarterback Mike Talarico, thrust into the starting job by an injury at midseason, completed half of his passes but needs to cut down on interceptions. The Leopards have two outstanding junior receivers in flanker Jarrett Shine and split end Tramont Evans.

A defensive line that features seniors Harrison Bailey and Derek Mast and junior Gavin Morrissey is a plus. Bailey, an all-league choice, led the Leopards with nine sacks. Junior free safety Matt Cope anchors the secondary with veteran corners Chris Everett, Kevin Conaboy, and JoJo Herndon. Senior Jason McLaughlin is the league's top place-kicker.

## bison

The Bison came within a deflected pass in the end zone last November from winning it all after a 1-5 start. Coach Lou Maranzana's club was playing as well as anyone in the late fall after defeating Holy Cross (for the first time ever), Fordham, and league champion Lehigh on consecutive weekends, only to fall, 13-8, at Colgate on the last play of the game. Maranzana is looking for last year's success to carry over into the fall with 13 returning starters.

The Bison have experience at quarterback with seniors Rob Gius and Travis Kopp, at tailback, where 5-8, 144-pound Rich Lemon was the '93 league Rookie of the Year, at linebacker, where senior Russ Strohecker earned all-league second-team in the middle, and in the secondary, where three starters return, led by junior corner Mark Miller, who tied for the Patriot lead with six interceptions. Lemon rushed for 210 yards in his first college game and finished with 1,151 yards, the second-most productive season ever by a Bucknell running back. The offensive line is largely intact, featuring senior tackle Ed Frattarelli and senior tight ends Mark Gentile and Joe Zabiecki.

The unit adds senior tackle Andy DeFalco, who was moved from the defensive line during the offseason.

Bucknell's not without chinks in its armor. Three new faces are in the defensive line and the wide receivers will be first-time starters. The preseason MVP is athletic director Rick Hartzell, whose schedule-making has the Bison playing seven games at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium.

#### HOLY CROSS

The Holy Cross faithful expected a dropoff once all the scholarship players were out of the program, but nothing like this. The league's need-based financial-aid system, they say, has destroyed their entertainment on Saturday afternoons. One of college football's all-time winningest I-AA programs, which points proudly to its league championship years of 1986, '87, '89, '90 and '91, tumbled from 6-5 in 1992 to 3-8 last fall. Losses to in-state rivals Massachusetts and Boston University and to Princeton, Lafayette, and Bucknell were particularly ugly.

The Crusaders appear destined for consecutive losing seasons for the first time since 1979-80. Their quarterback, Andy Fitzpatrick, had knee surgery after the seventh game last year. Up to that point he hadn't thrown a single interception. He comes into the new season with a string of 127 passes without an interception. Coach Peter Vaas lost split end Chris Summers (69 catches for 1,057 yards) and three-time all-

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ERIK MARSH Lafayette

Patriot inside linebacker Rob Milarette. The offensive line returns nearly intact with junior tackle Tom Claro. Senior and fellow all-league Anthony Pignio has 25 career field goals. Senior free safety Pat Smith was the No. 2 tackler last fall on the unit that ranked best in the league in total defense.

#### PRINCETON

For the first time in six years, the Engineers are operating without a quarterback who has been in the system for at least two years. Tulane transfer Bob Ayersworth probably will start ahead of Larry Kahn. Both are untested juniors. Coach Kevin Higgins said he plans to throw the ball with basically the same offense used by his predecessor, Hank Small.

but is determined to rely more on the ground game. Senior tailback Raphael Stilings and senior fullback Jason Mastropierno are the likely beneficiaries from that change. The quarterbacks will be throwing to a new group of receivers behind a rebuilt line.

The Engineers look strong defensively with seniors D'Andre DNA (6-6, 290) and Sam Lawler and sophomore David Sunderland at tackle, and seniors Greg Moore and Rich Owens and junior Kee Song at end. The linebacking corps is new, but senior strong safety Jason Mack returns to an all-veteran secondary. Higgins said the defense will take a more aggressive approach and listed three keys to success for a former pass-happy team: strong senior leadership, consistent defense, and the establishment of a running game.

#### COLLEGE

Colgate football is taking more broadside hits than it has absorbed in more than 30 years with a string of three consecutive losing seasons and five in the last six. The Red Raiders had five losers in a row from 1956-60. Colgate starts its second new quarterback in as many years, tailback Bill Sparacio leaves with 2,799 career yards, the offensive line is still young, and the Red Raiders will have three new linebackers.

Senior wide receiver Tom Nash is Colgate's marquee name. He is the league's top returning receiver with 57 career catches for 849 yards and three touchdowns. Can senior quarterback Bill McDuffee or junior Ian Prusa get the ball to him? McDuffee started four games last fall for the injured Chris Lane, finishing the season with 317 yards in seven appearances. Senior tackle Mike Boorman, an academic All-American, is one of three starters back in the offensive line. The defensive line is a plus with senior end Tom Rossi who led the team with 8½ sacks and junior tackle Joe Kaszlejna, the leading returning tackler. Senior cornerback Andre Martin has new teammates in the secondary, which lost three-year starting safety Ryan Cook.

#### FORDHAM

Last season saw Fordham's fourth offensive coordinator in five years. This fall it's a new head coach, Nick Quartaro, whose résumé lists program turnarounds at Drake and, more recently, Kansas State. And, yes, another offensive coordinator in Fred Mariani. Quartaro has some serious turning to do in the Bronx, where the Rams are 7-42 since moving from Division III to I-AA five years ago. They have won just two league games in the last four years and finished 1-10 in '93 setting a school record for losses. The new coaching staff may eventually work a miracle, but it won't happen this season. Among the notable losses are Aaron Dougherty, the league's defensive Player of the Year, Ryan Reinert, a second-team all-leaguer; Mike Costanzo, a co-captain, and a trio of linebackers.

Junior Joe Moorhead took most of the snaps at quarterback a year ago, but one of Quartaro's first moves was to declare the position in his new multiple-I offense up for grabs among the five returning players. Moorhead started the last eight games, passing for 1,700 yards and nine touch-

downs with 16 interceptions. John Pohlman, a senior who started the last five games in 1992, threw eight interceptions in his five appearances. The veteran nucleus consists of three second-team all-league picks: senior tailback Chris Ross, junior defensive end Aaron Torgler, and junior strong safety Chris O'Leary.

yards per game rushing, but there are reinforcements in end Michael Turner and linebacker Pat Goodwin, who led the unit with 106 tackles. There is experience at cornerback but a replacement must be found for strong safety Jimmy Magalanes.

#### ivy league

##### *predictions*

##### *ivy league*

1. Penn 2. Princeton 3. Harvard
4. Brown 5. Dartmouth 6. Cornell
7. Yale 8. Columbia

For the most part, the academic standards have not changed over the life of the Ivy League. And until last year, neither had the football format. No freshmen on the varsity roster; no helmets or pads or blocking or tackling until September—while two Divisions I-A powers were fitting up the regular season in August in the Kickoff Classic. But life has changed in the Ivy League. For the first time since 1956—the year the league was born—not only will freshmen be on varsity rosters, but coaches will have had a 12-day look at their teams before they call them to the first fall practice.

"It's about time," said Dartmouth coach John Lyons of the league's first spring practice. "It couldn't come at a better time," said Princeton's Steve Tosches, who is losing 16 starters and relishes the extra time to get a peek at their replacements. He isn't alone in that perception. Only Columbia and Brown won't have to replace starting quarterbacks and other coaches will cherish the additional time to evaluate their new starters.

The class of '93 established some lofty standards. Princeton running back Keith Elias, a two-time All-American, set four Divisions I-AA and 21 school rushing records. Dartmouth quarterback Jay Fiedler left 12 school passing and overall offense marks.

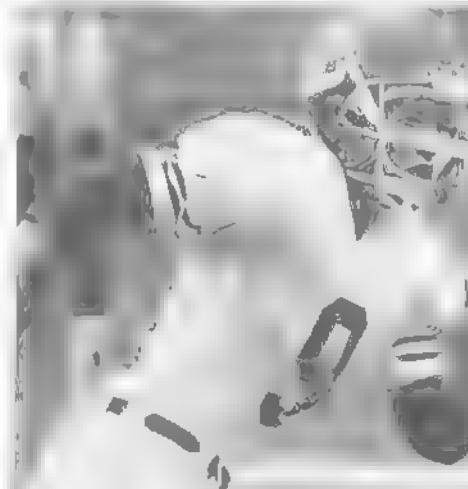
#### FORDHAM

Start with wideouts Miles Macik and running back Terrance Stokes, both all-Ivy, plus four returning starters in the offensive line and you understand why the Quakers are the choice to repeat. And having seven players who got at least some mention for the all-league teams doesn't hurt. Just who will get the ball to Macik and Stokes is the question, but the same type of enigma applies to almost every team in the league. Jim McGeehan took Penn career records in passing, touchdowns, and total offense with him leaving the quarterback position open. Sophomore Steve Teodecki, the first freshman to throw a TD pass in Ivy history, and redshirt freshman Mark DeRosa will battle to inherit the offense. They will get help from all-Ivy center Pete Giannakouis. At 6-4, Macik is too big for secondaries. He is coming off a 72-catch, 13-TD season, both school records. Stokes ran up over 121 yards per game and had 272 against Princeton.

Graduation wounded the league's stingiest defense, which yielded fewer than 100

Steve Tosches knows the drill. The Princeton coach did it a few years back when Judd Garrett left. Now Keith Elias is gone, as are four AA and 21 school records and maybe the most prolific runner in Ivy history. "I remember when it was Judd Garrett, who walked on water and we thought we would never have another one," Tosches said. Next? "We think we have a couple of young kids who are pretty special," he said. They do, but they won't make up for Elias and 15 others lost to graduation. One special player returning is senior offensive lineman Carl Teter, who at 6-6 and 305 pounds carries the label of "The Beast" and is considered an NFL prospect. Another honors candidate is senior safety Mark Berkowitz.

The offense has to reload. Seniors C.J. Brucato and Bill Jordan are candidates at running back. Quarterback is also a problem with the departure of Joel Foote, who passed for 1,632 yards and seven TDs last season and was 15-3 as a starter. Senior



TOM NASH Colgate

Brett Hucklebridge and junior Bruce Harvey, neither with a varsity completion, are candidates. Across the line, Dave Patterson, coming off a big sophomore season in which he led the team in tackles and solo stops, heads the linebacking corps and is being counted on for another big effort since the top five linemen from 1993 have graduated.

#### PRINCETON

Joe Restic is gone after 23 seasons and Tim Murphy becomes only the third coach in the school's history (John Yovicsin, 1957-70 was the first). Murphy arrives from Cincinnati, where he guided the Bearcats to their best record in 17 years. Murphy knows rebuilding. In 1989, at the age of 32, he was the youngest head coach in Division I and running one of its worst programs with only 59 scholarships (the fewest in the nation) playing in a condemned stadium, and with no practice facilities. Now his job is to re-

build a team that won only one league game last fall and lost one of its top weapons in quarterback Mike Giardi, who threatened most of the school passing records. The Crimson figures to bank on its ground game with senior tailback Mark Cote (4.9-yard average) and junior fullback David Sprinkle (5.2). Two potential big-play runners are sophomore Eion Hu and junior Kweil Thompson, whose productivity has been hampered by injuries. The quarterback figures to Vin Ferrara, who has two years of eligibility and whose strong suit is mobility. He may need it since four starters are gone from the line.

Senior end Doug Anderson, quick at 6-3 and 240 pounds, will be a key to the defense and senior Ed Kinney will lead the linebackers in their newly installed four-man front.

## BROWN

Mark Whipple '86, takes over as head coach from Mickey Kwiatkowski and brings an impressive résumé from New Haven, where his "Whip-Lash" offense produced 48 victories in 65 decisions and ranked in the top 20 offensively for five of his six years. His unit led all NCAA divisions in scoring (50.5 points per game) and total offense (587.7 yards) in 1992 and his '93 team averaged 52.5 points. Brown has not seen better days since Whipple graduated in 1978 after being a member of the school's only Ivy League championship team in 1976 and starting at quarterback in 1977-78 when the Bruins finished second each time.

The Bruins return six all-Ivy selections, including quarterback Trevor Yankoff, who passed for 833 yards and rushed for 200 as Brown won two of its last three games. Yankoff will recognize almost his entire receiving corps, led by Charlie Buckley (31 catches for 535 yards and 5 TDs). Marquis Jessie ran for 823 yards and had a school single-game record of 237 yards against Columbia. His numbers may rise since four of five starters return in the line, headed by Rene Abdallah. Bob Warden, who had 10 field goals last fall, is also back, but the Bruins, who return 10 of 11 defensive regulars, will have to cut down on their 26 points per-game allowance of 1993.

**THE BIG GREEN**

The Big Green lost the first game of last season to Penn, 10-6, and didn't lose again in the league. Unfortunately for them, neither did the Quakers, who broke a three-game stranglehold on Dartmouth's league reign. Coming that close to the title again won't be easy, especially with quarterback Jay Fiedler gone. Coach John Lyons is still searching for Fiedler's successor, with senior Ryan Nally, junior Ben Riley, and sophomore Jon Aljancic looking for playing time. With Fiedler gone, the focus of the offense will change. The role of running back Pete Oberle, who flourished in the final six games of the season after being out with a shoulder injury, will likely be increased. "Once he was healthy and playing, Pete made a difference," Lyons said. Gone with Fiedler is all-Ivy John Hyland, but seniors David Shearer (41 catches for 627 yards and 6 TDs) and Andre Grant (31-606-5) remain.

The key to the defense will be the linebacking corps, led by seniors Hunter Buckner, a pass-rushing threat from his outside

position, and Josh Bloom. Success may hinge on putting heat on the quarterback since the secondary's inexperienced

## THE BIG RED

The Big Red played the league's elite tough last season, 10 points separating them from victories over Princeton, Dartmouth and champion Penn (17-14 loss in the final game). Getting that close in big games again may be a major challenge. The personnel losses include three-year starting quarterback Bill Lazear, who took 27 school passing and total-offense records with him at graduation, and linebacker Chris Zingo, a consensus All-America who set game, season and career tackle marks.

Whoever emerges as the starting quarterback will have experienced targets in Aaron Berryman and Ron Mateo and in 6-5 tight end Jimmy Seifert, who sat out early in 1993.



TERRANCE STOKES Penn

with injuries before getting the starting job. The running game appears to be in the hands of sophomore Chad Levitt, who averaged 5.4 yards and was one of only two freshmen to win a letter last fall. He should get some room from a line led by tackle Matt McKean (6-5, 276).

Seniors John Vitullo and John Wagner draw the assignment of filling Zingo's vacancy but both have experience. "Chris Zingo may not be replaceable, but faced with the depletion of an All-America linebacker we couldn't be better off than we are now," is coach Jim Hofher's endorsement of the pair.

## THE BULLDOGS

The Bulldogs never had a chance last season. In their first game they lost all-Ivy running back Keith Price, starting quarterback Chris Hetherington and top wide receiver Dave Feuerstein. It didn't appear things could get worse, but they did: 25 players were out with injuries in the final four games of a dismal 3-7 season and the Eli finished last in the league in three offensive categories (rushing, scoring, and total offense).

Let the rebuilding begin, and start with Hetherington, who completed three of four passes in the 1993 opener before his season ended with a groin injury. The 6-3 junior will now compete with classmate Kevin

Mayer for the starting role. Two backs, David Dixon and Bob Nelson, combined for 260 of the team's 275 rushing attempts last season, if Price returns to form the workload figures to be split between him and Nelson, who led the team with 544 yards. Wide receiver Dave Wan departed with a single-season record of 873 yards on 46 catches but he left his brother, Dan, as his successor. Feuerstein's return will also help.

The doubts on offense extend to the line, which lost four regulars. Thus it will be up to the defense to keep the Eli competitive. And the front four, headed by tackle John Lykouretzos, who had nine tackles for loss, returns, as does linebacker Carl Ricci, who recorded 166 tackles the second-highest total in Yale history.

## THE LIONS

Nothing new here as improvement would be an improvement. The highlight of last season was a 29-24 upset of Cornell, but the league's worst defensive team has lost its best player all-Ivy end Sean Nichols, three other starters on the line, plus rover Mark Cavic, a second-team all-Ivy honoree. Linebackers Jake Lill and Dan Petrone and cornerbacks Ralph Hudson and Gary Edmonds are the returning regulars.

If the Lions are going to get it done, they will have to do it with offense, which generated 77 points in the last four games a year



MARQUIS JESSIE Brown

ago. Tackle Tony Petras (6-5, 275), one of four returning starters in the line, is an all-Ivy candidate, as is Brian Bassett (34 catches for 398 yards), whom coach Ray Tellier labels the best tight end in the league. Senior Jamie Schwabe, who passed for 1,140 yards last fall despite being sacked 13 times, will get a challenge at quarterback from junior Mike Cavanaugh, who was impressive in mop-up duty. The outlook is not promising. While the offense could put up some numbers, so could a defense that surrendered more than 29 points per game in '93.

## **yankee conference**

### ***predictions***

#### ***yankee conference***

1. Delaware
2. Boston University
3. Massachusetts
4. James Madison
5. Northeastern
6. Connecticut
7. New Hampshire
8. William & Mary
9. Rhode Island
10. Maine
11. Villanova
12. Richmond

Defense will take a fall holiday in the Yankee Conference, where offenses will keep fans on the edge of their seats. It may take five or six touchdowns to win a game because the league is filled with quick-striking, skilled players. Three teams reached the I-AA playoffs a year ago. The number could grow. That's how strong the conference should be in 1994, a season that will be worth remembering. The leader of the pack will again be Delaware, a perennial juggernaut that has sufficient firepower to trade touchdowns with anybody. Contenders can be found everywhere, starting with Boston University, Massachusetts, and James Madison. But there promise to be surprises each week, depending on whose quarterback has the hot hand. From top to bottom the Yankee Conference has never been more explosive.

(9-4) Tubby Raymond enters his 29th season with 232 victories and 18 players who have starting experience from a team that finished third in the Yankee Conference. The Blue Hens have almost all the main characters from a star-studded offense that rolled up 37.3 points and nearly 300 yards rushing per game. Daryl Brown, a 6-3, 245-pound senior, picked up 1,469 yards and 13 TDs, running his school record to 3,286 rushing yards. Sophomore halfback Norman Coleman and junior Pat Williams complement him. Leo Hamlett and Keith Langan are vying for the quarterback job. Langan started six games and passed for 756 yards and seven touchdowns, and Hamlett came on strong, sparking the 49-48 comeback victory over Montana in the playoffs and starting in the 34-31 loss to Marshall in the quarterfinals. The receiving corps is thin and the offensive line must be rebuilt, but the attack shouldn't miss a beat with Brown and Co. running up and down the field.

A defense that was shredded for 28.2 points per game hopes to improve with strong performances from tackles Mark Spinelli and Greg Ventresca, linebacker Pat Mulhern, and safety Kenny Bailey.

### **BOSTON UNIVERSITY**

What can Dan Allen and his Terriers do for an encore? They can't be expected to duplicate last season's 12-1 record—the greatest turnaround in I-AA history. Picked to finish 11th in the league, they compiled the school's first undefeated and untied record

in the regular season and reached the playoffs for the first time since 1984.

Let's start with the good news: Quarterback Robert Dougherty, the Yankee Conference and ECAC Division I Player of the Year, is back. A transfer in his first season at Boston University, Dougherty completed 55 percent for 2,875 yards and 18 touchdowns and rushed for 380 yards and 11 TDs. Wideouts Carnell Henderson, Edmund Mantle, and Ron Stephenson, who combined for 115 catches for 1,442 yards and 11 TDs, also return. Don Benaglio will run behind a line headed by center Andre Maksimow and guard Mike Pedone. Now for the bad news: The Terriers must find a way to replace the 1,336 rushing yards of Zack Burwell and the 61 catches for 897 yards and seven TDs by Jason Andrade.

The defense should again be solid thanks to All-America safety Chris Helon, whose 12 interceptions led all divisions last season. Linebacker Andrew Brennan, and a veteran crew up front. BU's secret weapon is Mike Morello, who handles the punting and place-kicking and booted 15 field goals in '93.

So close, but not quite. That was the story of 1993 for the Minutemen, whose eight victories tied a school record but weren't enough to get them into the playoffs. They won seven of their final eight games, including a 43-29 decision over Delaware.

UMass returns many of those responsible for the numerous school offense records. Tailback Renzo Ingoglia rushed for 1,285 yards and 14 TDs and had 13 catches for 165 yards. Speedy sophomore Frank Alessio should get more carries with the departure of John Johnson. Soph quarterback Vito Campanile flashed his potential when he started the final four games (and won three) after Andrew McNeilly was hurt. Eric Oke provided another scoring threat, making 14 of 22 field-goal attempts. The big-play defenders are cornerbacks in Breon Parker (7 interceptions) and Tony Williams, and end Brian Corcoran, who had 12 sacks. Rejoining him on the line are Vernard Fennell, Silas Burke, Ben Albert, and Ken Bello.

The Minutemen face a rugged schedule that features defending national champion Youngstown State and has them on the road for five of their first seven games.

Expectations are great because coach Rip Scherer returns 18 starters and 39 of the top 44 players from a 6-5 team that won four of its final seven and averaged a school-record 34.1 points, 218.2 yards passing, and 393.5 total yards per game last year. The Dukes, who scored more than 50 points twice and 40 three times, will go as far as Mike Cawley's arm can carry them. He completed 54.8 percent for 1,988 yards and 14 TDs in his debut after transferring from Syracuse. Fullback Steve Agee is back after leading the team with 467 yards rushing and 10 TDs. Other productive returnees in the backfield are Rhadshaun Miles, D'Artagnan Townes, Paul Harris, and Kelvin Jeler. The receiving corps features Juan Dorsey, whose role will be increased with the loss of David McLeod's 64 receptions and 1,207 yards. The defense, which was improved in 1993

after taking its lumps in '92, should continue to get better. The cornerstones are cornerback Dwight Robinson, who returned two kickoffs for touchdown and was the Dukes' No. 2 tackler, linebacker Clint Dunn, and tackle Tyrone Washington.

Barry Gallup's Huskies know how to play the game only one way on offense: all-out all the time. They'll try anything and everything from the run-and-shoot. All the skill people are back from a 2-9 team whose record was a bit deceptive because four of the losses were by a total of 13 points. This could be the season the Huskies turn it around and contend for the Yankee Conference crown.

It all starts with senior quarterback Clarzell Pearl, who passed for 1,885 yards and 12 touchdowns and rushed for 157 yards and two TDs despite missing two games. He'll hook up with a quartet of veteran receivers: Brian Vaughn, Tom Monios, Chris Brady, and Desmond Bellot. When the Huskies go to a two-back set, which they'll do on occasion, Kevin Williams, Ike Wilkins, and Vaughn will get the call. The line will rely on center Jim Bailey and tackle Brian Chamberlain to hold the fort until the youngsters gain much-needed experience.

A defense that allowed 53 points against William & Mary and 52 against James Madison must stiffen up and give the offense an opportunity to win some games. The returnees include linebackers David Atwood and Reggie Thornton, end Josh Heinrich, tackle Dan Schena, and free safety Jason Seapker (last year's leading tackler).

### **CONNECTICUT**

The name has a familiar ring to it: Holtz. No, not Lou, but his son, Skip, who at age 30 is one of the youngest Division I coaches in the country. But the younger Holtz has packed a lot of football in his days as an assistant at Notre Dame, Florida State, and Colorado.

Offense is what Holtz knows best, which means the Huskies will spread the field and attack with a variety of weapons. Junior quarterback Zeke Rodgers, a three-year starter, passed for 1,705 yards and seven touchdowns and is on pace to become the school's all-time leader. He'll have to cut down on his 12 interceptions if the Huskies are to improve upon a 6-5 record. UConn boasts a 1-2 running punch unmatched in the Yankee Conference. Wilbur Gilard had 1,099 and 17 TDs last fall. Ed Long, limited by a series of nagging injuries, rushed for 473 yards and six TDs. The team's most athletic player may be wide receiver Monte Nowden (52 catches for 756 yards). The offensive line is anchored by Sherrard Joseph and Pat Walsh, a pair of 300-pounders. The stalwarts on defense are up front: Brian Gleason, Ryan Coutant, and Dean Cassmats.

If you're in the market for a bona fide dark horse, check out these Wildcats. They've been climbing in the standings the past couple of seasons and seem to have the firepower to stay in the league race, but they also play defense, a trait lacking in some of the other contenders. Ten of the top 11 tacklers are back, including Jim Concannon, Warren Armes, and Sean Finneran.

The Wildcats can move the football through the air on the arm of Jim Stayer and on the ground with Avrom Smith and Lee McClinton. Stayer, who split time last season with Rich Green, completed 55 percent for 1,141 yards and eight touchdowns. Smith rushed for 1,050 yards and 11 TDs and McClinton, also the leading returning receiver, had 513 yards and five TDs. The Wildcats averaged 28 points per game, soaring for 63 against Maine, 51 against Rhode Island, and 45 against Villanova.



**WILBUR GILLIARD** Connecticut

#### WILLIAM & MARY

You make the call. Jimmie Laycock's lineup will be fortified by the return of half the starters from a 9-3 playoff team or decimated by the loss of half the starters.

The name of the game again will be offense, with senior quarterback Shawn Knight the catalyst who keeps defenses honest so the two-pronged running attack of Derek Fitzgerald and Troy Keen can be effective. Like so many of the Yankee Conference teams, the Indians will put points on the board—in a hurry and from anywhere on the field. Knight was nearly flawless a year ago as he led Division I-AA in passing efficiency (204.6 rating), completing 69 percent for 2,235 yards and 22 touchdowns. He is dangerous because he rarely puts the ball up for grabs and can turn an apparent loss into a big gain with his scrambling. Fitzgerald (1,101 yards, 10 TDs) is a slippery runner who hits the holes in a flash and Keen (650 yards, 14 TDs) grinds out the tough yardage near the goal line. They'll operate behind a line anchored by tackle John Stein, the only veteran. The top receivers are Mike Tomlin and Terry Hammons.

Linebackers Greg Applewhite and Jason Miller and ends Mike Burton and Melvin Griffin key the defense that has a completely rebuilt secondary.

#### YANKEE

Floyd Keith's second year will be exciting, if nothing else, thanks to sophomore quarterback Chris Hixson, the 1993 Yankee Conference and ECAC Rookie of the Year. Hixson set URI's all-time completion rate (60.2), passing for 2,218 yards and 12 touchdowns. An even bigger Hixson reported to spring practice after spending the offseason in the weight room. The Rams are well-fortified at quarterback with backup Tony Squitieri, who threw for 1,958 yards and 11 TDs in 1992. Their sure-handed targets are Bobby Apgar (40 catches for 744 yards and 7 TDs) and the versatile Cy Butler. The Rams are thin at running back because Frantzy Jourdain, last year's leading rusher, injured his knee in the spring and may be lost for the season. Ohio State transfer Travis McGuire will challenge Cameron Pooler (346 yards) at tailback and Kevin Quinn and James Krause will compete at fullback. When the offense stalls, the Rams can count on Skip Thomas, who booted 17 of 25 field goals last fall and needs just eight to become the school's career leader.

The linebackers are the backbone of the defense, spearheaded by Lou D'Agostino, who will be joined by Lucien Bergeron and Troy Rothmann.

#### MAINE

Jack Cosgrove's first season was filled with "what ifs" and "what could have been" as the Black Bears went 3-8, losing three games by three points or less. He should enjoy his second season a lot more because 16 starters are back, including quarterback Emilio Colon, who has thrown for 4,700 yards in his career to rank second in school history. Colon completed 51.7 percent for 1,603 yards and 11 TDs last fall. Tight end Brian Gaine (26 catches) and wide receiver Steve Cates (22) will try to fill the void left by Frizel Davis and his 1,381 career yards receiving. The Black Bears are deep in the backfield with fullback Steve Knight (a team-high 559 yards) and tailbacks Bob Jameson (427) and Andre Pam (137). The biggest question up front is the status of Mike Flynn, who hasn't fully recovered from last fall's knee surgery after his season was cut short in October.

There's no question the defense needs to shore up after allowing nearly 30 points per game. The anchor will again be linebacker Ross Fichthorn, the leading tackler (162) in the conference. He also excelled in the classroom, where he is an Academic All-America. The line is solid with Todd Park, George McDonald, and Rob Shaw. The secondary features Greg Mikell.

#### VILLANOVA

There were times last year when Andy Talley must have thought he was in charge of a M\*A\*S\*H unit instead of a football team. With so many of his players injured, he had to check with his trainer before making out a lineup. The manpower losses took their toll as the Wildcats slipped to 3-8 for their first losing record in Talley's nine seasons.

Talley's troops will have to stay healthy in '94 if the Wildcats are to return to their winning ways. The most significant move Talley made in the spring was switching Eric Hunt from tailback to receiver. Hunt led the team

with 32 receptions and was second in rushing (331 yards). Sophomore Erik Pearson will get first crack at the quarterback job after passing for 1,225 yards and four touchdowns in a limited role in '93. He will be challenged by Tom Marchese and Mike Rusnak. The line is a strength with Dick Ras, Jose Ramirez, Ante Benzija, and Andy Weidl.

The defensive line could be built around Remo Guarneri, who is coming off knee surgery. Greg Ziegler is expected to be ready after missing much of the spring with a separated shoulder, and Devian Logan will return to the secondary if his knee is 100 percent. Mark Baker will bolster the linebacking corps after starting at end and cornerback. Curtis Dunaway is the returning leader in tackles and interceptions.

#### RECHMUND

Remember all those long scoring passes and runs that have been a trademark of the Spiders the past several seasons? Well, you better have a good memory, because almost all of the players who generated that excitement are gone, leaving Jim Marshall with a major rebuilding job on offense.

For a change, the Spiders will be forced to rely on defense to win games. There are six returning starters on the unit, with senior cornerback Maurice Glenn and linebackers Ray Geoffroy and Edmond Mintah the leaders. Scott Burton always seems to be where the ball is, which explains his 13 career interceptions, and safety Brian Lyle and lineman Teo Ngatuva are being counted on after missing the '93 season with knee injuries. Linebacker Matt Lilly and lineman Chris Plunkett will have expanded roles.

The offense will have to rally around running back Uly Scott and linemen C.J. Lindholm and Matt Farmer, the only returnees. Scott was a workhorse last season, carrying 234 times for 1,025 yards and four TDs. Jason Gabrels will inherit the quarterback job after passing for 497 yards and four TDs in a part-time role last fall. The line will be rebuilt with Brad Butkovich and Jon Pritchett moving over from defense.

## metro atlantic athletic conference

#### *predictions*

##### *metro atlantic athletic conference*

1. Iona
2. Canisius
3. St. John's
4. Duquesne
5. Georgetown
6. Marist
7. St. Peter's
8. Siena

#### ST. JOHN'S

Coach Harold Crocker warns his players about the aftermath of winning a title: "I tell the kids it's great getting here, but tougher staying here. Obviously, I don't like the role of favorite."

He doesn't have a choice, certainly not with quarterback Tom Proudfit returning. "He's sensational," St. John's Coach Ricca said. "They're definitely the team to beat because of his presence." Proudfit, who also punts for the 9-2 Gaels, had a superb sophomore season, completing 59.5 percent of his passes for 3,378 yards and 29 TDs. Against Siena, he completed 32 of 47 for

485 yards and six touchdowns. Proudian lost his top rusher, James McMahon, and top receiver Eugene McGowan from his run-and-shoot offense, but returns wideout Tim Silo (54 catches for 865 yards). Senior guard Emory Moody heads the line. Across the line is MAAC Defensive Player of the Year Vin Santella, who had 12½ sacks, and John Calandros.

The Gaels probably won't be cocky considering the way their season ended. After beating St. John's to end a 12-year losing streak against the Redmen, they lost an ECAC Bowl Game at home, 32-0, to Wagner a team they had beaten, 30-23, on the road six weeks earlier.

#### Golden Griffins

The Golden Griffins were positively schizophrenic last year, starting 0-5 and finishing 5-0. "It was quite unusual," coach Barry Mynter said. Whether the momentum continues into this season depends on quarterback Ben Kucia's improvement and Mynter's ability to work in new players. The Griffins lost 12 of 22 starters. Kucia's potential was vivid against St. John's when he threw for 356 yards. For the season he threw for 1,231 yards, but completed only 42.1 percent with eight touchdowns and 10 interceptions. His prime receiver is splinter end Mark Koebbe (44 catches) last season's MAAC Co-Rookie of the Year. The ground game is solid, thanks to tailback Turhan Jordan (987 yards) and fullback Kirk Deshaies (308). "We're pretty high on Kirk," said Mynter. "His emergence coincided with our turnaround." The line lost big Roger Malcolm, but replaces him with Brian Parkin.

The defensive line will be strengthened considerably with Frank Zabawa and Mike Duffy both healthy. Zabawa was redshirted after a knee injury in the Griffins' second game. Duffy also missed four games with a knee injury. Senior captain Brandon Crotty heads the linebackers. Gone from the secondary are all-MAAC free safety Greg Pelletier and cornerback Dave Fraterrigo, who also led the nation in kickoff returns with a 37.3-yard average.

#### ST. JOHN'S

All coach Bob Ricca has to do is replace tailback Anthony Russo. "We can replace Anthony if they let me play three different people at the same time," he said. They won't, which means the loss of quarterback Sean Sharkey leaves the 8-3 Red Storm depleted on offense. "We'll rely on defense," Ricca said. Five of the top six tacklers return: linebackers Walter DeForest and Christopher Carew, backs Stephen DeAmicis, Mark Bernardini, and Ken Forte (5 interceptions), and end Ray Lambrighi.

The receiver corps features wideouts Tom MacPherson (33 catches for 563 yards and 9 TDs), Tom Gudice, and John O'Leary with Dan Parker back at tight end. Oh, yeah, the backfield. Help! The quarterback job goes to either Tom Kleine, who threw 10 passes last season or Scott Moxim, who threw two. At fullback, John Anitra makes an encore performance. He had decent stats two years ago (5.9-yard average), moved to linebacker last fall, and now has switched back. Tailback has a glaring vacancy.

#### Dukes

The Dukes have a new conference and a new home, Arthur J. Rooney Field. Although they went 1-2 against MAAC opponents last season (4-6 overall), the mood is decidedly upbeat as 20 of 22 starters return for second-year coach Greg Gattuso. The starting nose guard on Penn State's 1982 national championship team, Duquesne's notable loss is tailback Mike Haines, the school's No. 3 all-time rusher. But this young team still has firepower. Quarterback Brian Starines's sophomore season was promising (school-record 1,387 passing yards and 11 TDs). Sophomore Mark Neely had a team-high 24 catches. Also back are junior tailback Bill Green (274 yards) and senior fullback Todd Killian. Four starters, led by senior center Sean Curran, a converted defensive lineman, return on the offensive line.

Defensively, the standouts are linebackers Paul Duffy and Kenny Smith (112 tackles each) and end John Wojciechowski (9 sacks). The secondary will be much improved with the return of two seniors who sat out last season with injuries, Damon Barry and Matt Stark.

#### Hoyas

Even is certainly a football number. It's also the number of all-MAAC Academic All-Hoyas had last fall. The rest of the MAAC had 10. On the field, the Hoyas played better than their 4-5 record. They were first in the country in pass efficiency defense and ninth in scoring defense (15.1). Seven starters return to the 5-2 alignment, led by linebacker Tom Wonca (97 tackles, 3 sacks) and backs Joe Eacobacci and Mike Sedor, and tackles Jim Klessel and Enrico Marian.

The offensive line is strong, too, with center Steve Colello and tackles Murray Happen and Derek deBakker. Quarterback Bill Ring had a promising freshman season. His starting backfield is gone, but Dan Cuniffe (439 yards) and Marc Hall saw plenty of action. Joshua Mayer and Chris Colman head the receiving corps. All-MAAC punter Joe Pisacatella averaged 36.8 yards and pinned opponents inside their 20-yard-line 20 times. Brendan Gaughan made seven of 13 field goals and all 18 of his PATS.

#### MARIST

With its offense pretty well depleted, Marist's initial season in the MAAC will be challenging even though the Red Foxes went 2-2 against league opponents and 5-5 overall last fall. Defense will carry them. The only established offensive threat is senior tailback Kyle Carraro, the No. 2 rusher (455 yards) and No. 3 receiver (14 catches). Pete Ford, who threw just six passes a year ago, is the likely quarterback. His biggest target will be senior tight end Mike Milo, who was on the way to a big season before separating his shoulder in the third game. Junior wideout Chris D'Autorio, who booted a 40-yard field goal, doubles as kicker. The line lost three starters but returns tackle Kevin McGuinness and guard Gerry DelGais.

Experienced and talented underclassmen head the defense. Junior tackles Jeff Saccamanno and Joe Jarjoura combined for 15 sacks. At linebacker, junior Roger Hancock (team-high 88 tackles) and sophomore John

Saginario are back. In the secondary, all four starters return, led by senior Bryan Oles and sophomore Malik Woodard, who led the team in interceptions (5) and was the only freshman named all-ECAC in '93.

#### Pioneers

Mark Collins, the former defensive coordinator at Wagner, makes his head coaching debut with a team that flirted with a decent record. Two-point losses to Monmouth and Central Connecticut and a one-point defeat to St. John's in the season opener brought St. Peter's down to 3-7. Collins is the first full-time head coach the school has had since gaining Division III status in 1970.

Quarterback Anthony Guma (1,502 yards passing and 13 TDs), fullback Donny Rosso (295 yards rushing), and wideout Ray Marshall (49 catches for 600 yards and 3 TDs) will work to make Collins's initial season a success. Marshall led the nation in punt returns (14.3-yard average). Guma doubles as the place-kicker/punter. Guard Joe Se-



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garra keys the offensive line. The strength of the defense is at linebacker: sophomore Matt Nieder (150 tackles), junior William Bryant, and senior Frank Ba-

#### Saints

The closest brushes Siena had with a victory last fall were 15-point losses to Stonehill and Canisius. Ouch! "We were in almost every game," coach Jack DuBois said. "The kids fought in every game." The Saints will fare better this fall if they can produce enough offense to complement sophomore tailback Jeff Sawulski, last season's MAAC co-Rookie of the Year. He'll be a marked man after rushing for 785 yards, a robust 5.1 average, and four touchdowns, one a 95-yarder, in his freshman year. He ran for 253 yards against Iona. Parker Phinney and Tony Galani can take some of the pressure off Sawulski. Senior quarterbacks Damon Biernacki and Tom Stanton must cut down on turnovers. Speedy senior David Fryer (21 catches) will be their frequent go-to man. Three starters return on the line, but tight end is vacant.

Senior second-team all-MAAC tackle Tom Cartnick (94 tackles), linebackers Scott

Hartman and Jason Ellis and senior safety T.J. Sabotka (4 interceptions) lead the defense. Sabotka averaged 7.1 yards on punt returns, making only one fair catch in 21 chances.

## ecac independents

### ***predictions***

#### ***ecac Independents***

1. Wagner
2. Hofstra
3. Central Connecticut
4. Buffalo
5. Monmouth
6. St. Francis (PA)
7. Robert Morris

### **WAGNER**

Moving from Division III to I-AA didn't even make the Seahawks flinch. They just kept on winning, finishing 9-2 under Walt Hameline, whose gaudy coaching record is 104-32-2, a 76.1 percentage. "Great players," Hameline dead-pans. "I had nothing to do with it. Very little." Coaching had something to do with Wagner's 30-23 loss to Iona turning into a 32-0 rout of Iona in the ECAC Bowl seven weeks later.

Wagner, which won the Division III national championship in 1987, must replace its two leading tacklers, Bryan Devone and Ryan Tobin, punter/kicker Dan Ricciard and Academic All-American offensive lineman Phil Hirt. Other than that, the Seahawks seem certain to continue winning behind senior quarterback Jason Cue (48.1 percent, 2,472 yards, 15 TDs, 12 interceptions). He's got his two top runners back. All Kito Lockwood did was lead the team in rushing (631 yards) and receiving (33 catches for 498 yards). He also had an 85-yard kickoff-return TD. Tremayne Hughes rejoins him in the backfield. The leading receivers are senior wideout Pat Connolly (27-482) and sophomore tight end Bill Sommers (13-240). Junior guard Rick Grimaldi and senior tackle Vincent Caporaso head the line. Wagner led the nation in rushing defense (87.0 yards), and will flourish again behind end Anthony Harper, tackle William Snell, and backs James Lorenzo (5 interceptions) and Roger Fddemon.

### **HOFFSTRA**

The Flying Dutchmen eased their way into Division I-AA by playing six I-AA opponents in 1991 and seven in '92. When they went to all I-AA last fall they prospered, a 6-3-1 record thanks to a 5-0-1 finish. "We really finished strong," said fifth-year coach Joe Gardi, a former nine-year assistant with the New York Jets. "Our defense, which has all our impact people back, was dominating."

But whether the Dutchmen fly higher in '94 doesn't center around the 17 returning starters, but rather the new quarterback. Record-setting and team MVP George Biesel, who passed for more than 6,000 yards, has graduated. Junior Kharon Brown seems to have the best shot at the job. He completed 16 of 33 passes for 195 yards and two TDs last fall. Seniors Carlos Garay, Jon Camera, and Michael Doto will also compete for the spot. Everywhere else, talent and experience abound. Junior running back Hayward Cromartie (409 yards) is joined in the backfield by Jeff Bechetti, who missed several

games with a turf toe injury. Three receivers make Hofstra's shoot-and-run explosive: Wayne Chrebet (57 catches for 788 yards and 9 TDs), Michael Wright, and Nick Johnson. Whoever wins the QB job should get lots of protection from a line with four starters led by guard Dave Fiore, returning

Nine starters are back in Hofstra's 4-3 defense. The line, which accounted for 163 tackles and 19 sacks, returns intact. The two linebackers are superb: Herve Damas and Joey Driver. Cornerbacks Tyvan Sunday and Pat Shanahan and safety George Ferrantino return in the secondary along with Lee Harris and Dante Giliam. Of Harris, who is recovered from an injury, Gardi said: "I think the young man has everything it takes to be a safety in the pros."

### **CENTRAL CONNECTICUT**

The Blue Devils showed a lot of character last fall. After a staggering 72-18 loss to C.W. Post left them 2-5, they won their last three games to finish at .500. "Our players just refused to give up," coach Sal Cintorino said. The 5-5 record was the Devils' best since 1989.

The Devils weren't short on thrillers last season, losing to St. Francis on a field goal with four seconds left and to Marist on a TD pass with 19 seconds remaining. They also beat St. Peter's 9-7, on Nelson Mingachos's 21-yard-field goal with 1:19 left. Junior quarterback Sam Tirone (1,678 yards, 11 TDs) set four school records. He burned Iona for 322 yards in a 24-13 victory. Senior split end Heston Sutman had 13 catches in the C.W. Post game and led the team in receptions (33), yards (471), and TDs (5). But the Devils are far from one-dimensional. Junior fullback Anthony English (437 yards) and tailback Duane Shurden, who scored three of his six TDs in the St. Francis game, get to run behind four returning starters on the line.

The defense, which ranked ninth nationally in turnover margin, returns eight regulars, including Darian Coleman and Andy Borst, who each had four interceptions, and Davee Silas plus linebacker Jay Perez.

### **MONMOUTH**

Coach Jim Ward labeled the Bulls' 1-10 initial season in I-AA as "a year to grow and learn." But they haven't learned how to ease up on their schedule, with I-AA national champion Youngstown State back for a return engagement. Regardless, if the Bulls can improve even moderately on defense—they allowed 32 points per game—this will be a season of marked improvement.

Quarterback Cliff Scott (2,263 passing yards, 9 TDs, 16 interceptions) is a handful to stop. He's already run for 746 yards, a school record for quarterbacks. Leading rusher Sunni Motley (670 yards) returns and may be joined by freshman fullback Brad Bess, who was redshirted last fall with an injured thumb. Bess had a spectacular prep career with 35 TDs in his senior season. The offensive line retains guard Jason Sulenski and three other regulars.

Senior nose guard Todd Schaffer heads a defensive line which must generate more pressure on the quarterbacks. Buffalo recorded just 25 sacks last year while allowing 57. Linebackers Vince Canosa (12½ sacks), Pete Conley (team-leading 84 tackles),

les) and Craig Guest are the heart of the unit. Terrance Fisher (5 interceptions) and senior Kareem Stroman are back in the secondary. Kicker Mark Mozrall was 7 of 10 on field goals including a 51-yarder, while punter Gerald Carlson had a 34.9-yard average.

### **MONMOUTH**

A 2-5 start a season in I-AA could have been worse for the Hawks. They beat St. Peter's (44-42) and Abright (15-14) on last-minute field goals by freshman Randy Brewster. The Hawks will improve. They return all 22 starters and have just one senior on the 85-man roster. Junior quarterback Doug Rossback completed 56 percent of his passes for 1,905 yards and eight TDs. Unfortunately, he also threw 16 interceptions. Tailback Jim Vanick (6.9-yard average) and fullback Ralph O'Neil complete the backfield. Monmouth had six players with more than 10 receptions, topped by Marcus Winters (34) and William Holder (25). Heading the defense are linebackers Joe Little and Chris Orsogna and end Tim Canavan.

### **ST. FRANCIS (PA)**

The Red Flash's initial season in Division I-AA started out 3-3. Then the bottom fell out with four straight losses. There's more bad news. St. Francis lost quarterback Kevin Maggio, who threw for more than 5,000 yards in three seasons. Todd Eckenrood, the school's career record-holder for receptions and yardage, and free safety Michael Graziano, their all-time leader in interceptions.

Sixth-year coach Frank Pergolizzi hasn't been left empty. Senior tailback Kevin Keenan (444 yards) and junior wide receiver Elliot Miller (57 catches) will give senior quarterback Scott Black weapons. An offensive line with four starters back will give him time. Black, however, threw only 22 passes the entire season. Defensively, the Red Flash are led by senior inside linebacker Dwayne Eck, a converted running back who had a team-high 128 tackles. Senior tackle P.J. Petrarco (59 tackles, 5 sacks) heads the line, while in the secondary, Jason Wilson needs four interceptions to become the school's all-time leader.

### **ST. FRANCIS (PA)**

New York Jets ex-coaches are everywhere. Joe Walton, head coach of the Jets (1983-89) and offensive coordinator with the nearby Pittsburgh Steelers (1990-91), accepted the immense challenge of starting a program here from scratch. He was born and raised in Beaver Falls, 20 miles from Robert Morris. "When I left the Steelers, I decided to stay in the area," he said. "I thought it would be a great thing for me to do start a new football team and work with kids again."

Figuring out who his players will be this fall is an exercise in speculation. Top candidates include quarterback Ron Kamzelski from nearby Ambridge, PA, 6-7, 330-pound offensive lineman Doug Dittman from Fairfield, OH; running back Ralph Clark from Reston, VA., wideout Eric Dudek from New Kensington, PA., defensive end Jason Henley from West Point Prep in New Jersey, and one junior tight end/defensive end Kevin Paschuck. He transferred from the International Culinary Institute in Pittsburgh where he was a chef. It'll be interesting. □

# big eight

## big eight conference

### predictions

1. Nebraska 2. Colorado
3. Oklahoma 4. Kansas State
5. Kansas 6. Missouri
7. Iowa State 8. Oklahoma State

(11-1, 7-0) Only a team with the depth of the Cornhuskers could lose the Big Eight's first three-time scoring champion and two-time rushing champion (Calvin Jones) and not be worried about his early departure to the NFL. But tailback Lawrence Phillips, who capped his freshman season by outperforming Jones against Florida State in the Orange Bowl, is so highly regarded that coach Tom Osborne anticipates no drop-off in the conference's No. 1 running attack.

By their standards, the Cornhuskers were not prolific on the ground last year, primarily because Jones was injured in the opener and did not regain his sophomore form after

**TOMMIE FRAZIER** Nebraska



missing two games. Frazier missed two games after being injured in the opener. Phillips was a major reason the Cornhuskers won when their two stars were restricted. He rushed for 508 yards, including 137 against UCLA and 64 in the fourth quarter against Florida State. With Damon Benning and Clinton Childs, each of whom was a blue-chip recruit, as experienced backups, the nearest thing Nebraska has to a question on offense glistens with promise.

Frazier, coming off 283 yards in total offense against Florida State, should continue the improvement he made in his passing last year. He is surrounded by seniors and fronted by 300-pound blockers. Tackles Rob Zatechka and Zach Wiegert, guard Brenden Stai, center Aaron Graham, fullback Cory Schlesinger, and wingback Abdul Muhammad are returning starters. Two of the new starters, guard Joel Wilks (275) and tight end Matt Shaw, are seniors with two letters. The least experienced regular—after Phillips—is wideout Reggie Baul, a junior with one letter.

Tackle Terry Connealy, outside linebacker Donta Jones, middle linebacker Troy Dumars, and cornerback Barron Miles are the only regulars returning from a defense that led the Big Eight in every category after being revamped to an attacking scheme similar to Miami's. But seasoned replacements are available in tackle Christian Peter, outside linebacker Dwayne Harns (considered a better athlete than Outland Trophy recipient Trev Alberts), and inside linebacker Doug Colman. To reel in the slack in the secondary, Mike Minter was moved from strong to free safety and cornerback Kareem Moss to strong safety. Highly regarded Tyrone Williams should start on the other corner.

New but promising kickers, punter Tom Sieler and place-kicker Darin Erstad, will be available when needed.

### COLORADO

(8-3-1, 5-1-1) The Buffaloes, who appeared to be the Big Eight's best team the first half of last season, think they need only to become more consistent on offense to topple Nebraska. This is the year coach Bill McCartney has pointed for since jettisoning the option offense in 1992 and building a pass-run attack around quarterback Kordell Stewart. Except for a lack of depth at tailback and linebacker and with new kickers, the Buffs are wall-to-wall in talent. Their backup quarterbacks, redshirt Koy Detmer and Vance Joseph, could start for most teams.

Stewart, who passed for a school-record 2,299 yards last fall, guides an offense that has all-star candidates at every skill position—tailback Rashaan Salaam, the No. 2 returning rusher (844 yards) in the conference last year, tight end Christian Fauria, the No. 1 returning receiver at his position, and flanker Michael Westbrook plus a line that

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returns intact. Bryan Stoltenberg is probably the Big Eight's best center and guards Heath Irwin and Chad Hammond and tackles Tony Berti and Derek West complete a line that rivals Nebraska's. The only new starters on offense are split end Rae Carruth and Matt Lepis, as the second tight end.

Seven regulars return from a defense that leaked against nonconference opponents with all-star passing attacks but was strong against the run. The veteran front should be excellent. It features tackles Shannon Cavelle, one of the league's best, and Darius Holland, nose guard Kerry Hicks, and inside linebackers Ted Johnson and Matt Russell. New starters are outside linebackers Greg Jones and Jon Knutson. McCartney sought to tighten and rebuild the secondary by moving all-league free safety Chris Hudson



**KORDELL STEWART** Colorado

to cornerback opposite first-teamer Dalton Simmons. The two new safeties are Steve Rosga and Donnell Leonit.

The new kickers are punter Andy Mitchell and Neil Voskeritchian.

### OKLAHOMA

(9-3, 5-3) If Garnick McGee, a junior college transfer, proves adequate at quarterback, this should be the best offensive team in Gary Gibbs's six years as head coach. The Sooners have the most talented group of running backs since their best wishbone years, experienced linemen, and competent receivers. Oklahoma did not recruit McGee when he was an unsung schoolboy. He went to Arizona and then to junior college, where he attracted the Oklahoma recruiters. He impressed as a pass-run operative with scram-

bling skills in spring practice. The Sooners do not need for McGee to be a star, only to avoid bad plays and exploit his impressive surrounding cast.

Alternating tailbacks James Allen, an elusive runner, and powerful Jerald Moore combined for 1,064 yards as freshmen last year, when a knee injury to Jeff Frazier opened the door. Frazier, a breakaway threat, returns. So do alternating fullbacks Dwayne Chandler and Terry Collier, who combined for 756 yards. They will run behind a line that has a standout in tackle Harry Stamps and solid starters at every position in tackle J.R. Conrad, guards Milt Overton and Ben Cavil, and center Chuck Langston. Albert Hall, JaJuan Penny, and P.J. Mills are seasoned veterans. There's promise but no experience at tight end, where Roderick Manuel is the likely starter.

The defense is less settled, but tackle Cedric Jones is Oklahoma's first all-conference-caliber lineman in several years. Cornerback Darrius Johnson and inside linebacker Mario Freeman are among the Big Eight's best at their positions. Tackle David Campbell, outside linebacker Brent DeQuasie, strong safety John Anderson, and cornerback Larry Bush are returning starters. Bush was moved from free safety to make room for Anthony Fogie, who Gibbs thinks has all-star potential and will provide the link for having the best secondary in the conference. Zerrick Rollins, Tyrell Peters, Broderick Simpson, and Tremayne Green (if he recovers from a career-threatening neck injury) round out a solid linebacking corps.

Scott Blanton handles the punting and place-kicking.

BRYAN STOLtenberg Colorado



#### KANSAS STATE

(9-2-1, 4-2-1) Coming off the school's best record in modern times, which included a third-place finish and a 52-17 rout of Wyoming in the Cooper Bowl, the Wildcats return 13 starters and raging confidence. If quarterback Chad May's knee, which underwent surgery, is fit, the Wildcats and Bill Snyder, the conference Coach of the Year in each of the last three seasons, could win more honors this fall. May, a transfer from Fullerton State, set a school record by throwing for 2,682 yards and led the conference with 16 touchdown passes. He set a Big Eight re-

cord with 489 yards passing against Nebraska. Coaches named him to the all-conference team. He missed spring practice after injuring his knee in the weight room. He had arthroscopic surgery, but Snyder is confident May will be fully recovered when the Wildcats open against a soft nonconference schedule that should allow them to sustain their momentum. If May is not recovered, the starter will be Matt Miller, a transfer from Texas A&M.

The Wildcats also return tailback J.J. Smith, who finished fifth in the Big Eight in rushing with 748 yards, and the confer-

ence's best pair of wideouts in sophomore Kevin Lockett, whose 50 catches for 770 yards were tops nationally among freshmen and junior Mitch Running (41 for 466). Tight end Brian Rees, a starter in 1992, returns after being sidelined last year with a broken leg. The only regular returning in the offensive line, however, is tackle Jim Hmielewski. Center Jason Johnson and guards Ross Greenwood and Chris Oltmanns, backups last year, are Snyder's major concern.

The defense returns end Dirk Ochs, tackles Darrell Harbert and Tim Colston, linebackers Laird Veatch, Percell Gaskins, and Kirby Hocutt, and cornerback Steve Hanks who will move to free safety. End Kyle Wren, cornerbacks Clyde Bouler and Joe Gordon, and strong safety Chuck Marlowe are the new starters. Junior college All-America tackle Ray Eagle could be a factor when he reports in August.

The Wildcats have a steady punter in Chad Romano (38.8-yard average) but no experienced place-kicker.

**KANSAS**  
(5-7, 3-4) After Florida State and injuries eliminated hopes of a second straight bowl season, the Jayhawks regrouped and were respectable in November, when they extended Nebraska (before losing, 21-20) and salvaged fifth place. Coach Glen Mason returns 14 starters and expects to have a competitive attack, which will be built around tailback Charles Henley. The unsuspecting Henley set a Big Eight freshman record last year with a conference-high 1,127 yards (but was runner-up to Nebraska's Calvin Jones for the rushing championship, which is based on yards per game). Another unprojected operative, quarterback Asheiki Preston, became a midseason starter and led the conference in pass-completion percentage (.610).

Henley and Preston will operate behind an experienced line that features the best guards in the Big Eight: John Jones and

**TERRY COLLIER** Oklahoma

Hessley Hempstead, each of whom made all-conference last fall. Tackle Mark Alison, wide receiver Ashaundai Smith, and fullback Chris Powell also return, along with George White, the 1992 starting tailback who will be used as a flanker in a three-wideout formation. Slated to fill the openings on offense are tight end Brent Wilford, center Jered Smith, tackle Rod Jones (if a knee injury in the spring game heals), and a returning wideout Rodney Harris, Andre Carter, and Robert Reed.

What is likely to keep the Jayhawks from advancing to the first division is a defense with an all-new interior. The linebacking corps returns Ronne Ward, Steve Harvey and Don Davis and the secondary is solid with 1993 cornerbacks Tony Bleevins and Gerald McBurrows moving to the safety spots and Doran Brew and Avery Randell starting at cornerback. Replacements in the line will be juco tackles Alani Pahulu and Troy Harper, tackle Darnell Britt, who was a reserve last year, and end Sylvester Wright, who started the 1993 opener before being sidelined by an injury.

**CHAD MAY** Kansas State



Darrin Simmons, a highly regarded juco who redshirted last year, is the new place-kicker and a freshman redshirt. Jeff McCord is the ranking punter.

#### **MISSOURI**

(3-7-1, 2-5) The Tigers, consistent underachievers while enduring 10 consecutive losing seasons, return 12 starters from the team that finished Bob Stull and brought on Larry Smith, the school's fifth coach since the Dan Devine era ended in 1970. Most of the returning regulars retained their positions as Smith, who was fired in 1992 after his sixth season at Southern California,

changes the Tigers from a passing offense to a balanced attack and places more emphasis on defense.

Quarterback Jeff Handy, a two-year starter who passed for 1,901 yards last season but had more interceptions (12) than touchdowns (11), will be handing off more to tailbacks Joe Freeman a starter last year when he gained 675 yards and Felix Lindsey, who impressed in spring practice. Wide receiver Brian Saaree, ninth in the conference with 34 receptions, and tackle Trey O'Neil are the only other returning first-teamers on offense. The most promising of the newcomers is center Russ Appel. Scheduled to surround him in the line are guards Rafe Parsons and Matt Dowil, tackle Tim Keith, and tight end Bill Langerfelt.



**TONY BLEEVINS** Kansas

Seven regulars are back on a defense that once again ranked near the bottom of the national charts. Linebackers Darryl Major and Travis McDonald are credible. The secondary, which returns safeties Jerome Madison and Andre White and cornerback Kevin McIntosh, will welcome the speed of cornerback Clayton Baker. Smith hopes holdover linemen Damon Simon and Steve Martin and three first-time starters—end Detrick Wells, nose guard Matt Murray, and linebacker Chris Singletary—improve a soft interior.

Kyle Pooler is the Big Eight's best all-purpose kicker. He is the No. 1 returning punter (42.4) and No. 4 place-kicker.

**AMES**  
(3-8, 2-5) The Cyclones have the Big Eight's most experienced team. They return 17 starters and both kickers from a team that upset Kansas State and scared Colorado in November. Coach Jim Warcen thinks this is the best talent he has had in his eight years at Ames. Twenty-fifth-year seniors have convinced him that the Cyclones "can beat anyone on our schedule on a given day."

Despite all their experience, the Cyclones lack those big-time players who can make the difference between winning and losing. They have the Big Eight's top place-kicker in Ty Stewart. He twice kicked 58-yard field goals, the longest in Division I in '93. Halfback Calvin Branch and quarterback Todd Doxson lead an attack that also returns fullback Jim Knott, tackle Tim Kohn, split end James Brooks, tight end Dan Dostal, tackle Tony Booth, and guards Jim Thompson and Mark Konopka. The offense was second in the conference in rushing but had no runner in the top 12 and was last in passing.

For a running team, the Cyclones were surprisingly weak defensively against the run (last in the Big Eight and 101st nationally). They were also last in the conference in pass defense and seventh in turnover margin. Linebackers Marc Lillibridge, Marcus Allen, Matt Nitchie, and Jeff Cole are the strength on defense. Others returning on the first unit are tackles Troy Petersen and Sheldon Napastuk, end Anthony Scott, cornerback Weyan Harding, and safeties Kevin Fulton and Cedric Linwood.

#### OKLAHOMA CITY

(3-8, 0-7) After a 3-1 start in nonconference play and hopes for their first winning season since 1988, the Cowboys failed to win a game in Big Eight play. Their offense, last in the league and 102nd nationally, collapsed after freshman Toné Jones was injured in Nebraska's comeback victory in the league opener. Jones, with impressive pass-run skills, is fit and returns along with sophomore tailback David Thompson, senior fullback Joe Jefferson, and junior flanker Rafael Denson.

But coach Pat Jones's team remains perilously thin as a result of scholarships lost in a 1989 NCAA probation. The shallowness is most evident in both lines but especially on the offensive side, which lost five players with 18 combined letters and returns only guards Bryan Guillory and Alan Orts. The biggest losses on defense were four-year starter Jason Gildon at end and linebacker Keith Burns, a Butkus Award semifinalist.

**KENNY GUNN** Tulsa

End Jevon Langford was the runner-up for conference Freshman of the Year honors, but his status for the fall is questionable. Delvin Myles and Cleavon Williams won the cornerback jobs as freshmen, but two new safeties must be found. Incoming fresh and two transfers will be counted on to start.

One of the Cowboys' few weapons is Lawson Vaughn, the Big Eight's leading returning place-kicker.

#### independent

##### W

(4-6-1) In what could be Tulsa's last season as an independent before becoming a member of the expanded Western Athletic Conference, it faces a less formidable schedule than in recent years. However, coach Dave Rader starts his seventh season without an experienced quarterback (i.e., one who has played in a game) and with a suspect defense.

Troy DeGar, who won the starting quarterback job in spring practice, was suspended for the spring game for unspecified reasons. Rader said he anticipated DeGar would be reinstated. Regardless of who starts at quarterback, Tulsa is likely to run more and pass less than in recent years, because of running backs Kenny Gunn and Solomon White. Center David Millwee anchors a solid offensive line. End Joe Warren stands out in an otherwise tight defensive line.

doesn't have any offensive threats. The top five rushers from last season are back and not one is a senior.

(8-4, 5-1) The Panthers return 14 starters and a league-high 41 lettermen from the No. 13-ranked team nationally a year ago. Linebackers Andre Allen, voted the conference's top defender, and Paul Wolf are the



**DANNY BARNETT** Illinois State

keys. They combined for 230 tackles with the All-America Allen posting a team-high nine sacks. They will get plenty of support from Darnell Minniewether and Kevin Hammond. Other top returnees include nose tackle Brian Moretz and backs Jason McCleary, Todd Harrington, Myron Glass and Derrick Marbles.

Offensively, the Panthers retain their top three running backs in Jeff Stovall, Sylvester Brown, and Jason Hamrock. Stovall was a second-team all-GC selection as a freshman after finishing third in the league with a 99-yard per-game average and 17 touchdowns. All-conference center Donald Mumma and tight end Matt Harken are back, as is wide receiver Dennis Ward (617 yards and 9 TDs). Terry Allen must find a replacement for quarterback Kurt Warner, the Gateway Offensive Player of the Year. The heir apparent is Brett O'Donnell, but freshman redshirt Jon Miller, sophomore Steve Beard and Stanford transfer Chris Berg are in contention.

#### predictions

##### gateway conference

1. Northern Iowa
2. Illinois State
3. Indiana State
4. Southwest Missouri
5. Western Illinois
6. Eastern Illinois
7. Southern Illinois

What kind of year will it be in the Gateway Conference? "Interesting . . . very interesting," said Northern Iowa coach Terry Allen. "It could be the toughest, most competitive race we've had." Allen should know. His teams have consistently been involved in the league race through the years. The Panthers have won the last four Gateway titles in a conference that is recognized among the more competitive and tougher ones in Division I-AA circles. Defense could very well be the point of emphasis again this fall as 68 percent (52 of 77) of the starters return from last year's defensive units.

"The Gateway has always been known as a defensive league and it won't be any different this year," added Allen. "We've been known to have wide-open offenses, but defense has been the nuts and bolts for us."

The Panthers are favored to win their fifth straight conference championship and sixth in the league's nine-year history, but they don't have a lock on things. Illinois State, Indiana State, Southwest Missouri State, Western Illinois, and Eastern Illinois all carry legitimate chances at dethroning Northern Iowa. And don't get the idea that the league

(6-4-1, 2-3-1) The Redbirds are full of confidence as fall approaches. They return 20 starters from the team that defeated I-AA national champion Youngstown State in the final game of the regular season. Leading the offense is senior quarterback Danny Barnett. Fifth in the school record book with 3,022 yards after completing 190 of 311 passes for 1,960 yards and 11 touchdowns a year ago, Barnett will operate behind a line that returns intact led by pro prospect Corey Mackay at tackle. He also has the league's top returning receiver in flanker Kevin Dixson (47 catches for 425 yards). Running back Cameron Smith, who became the school's first freshman to top 1,000 yards (1,018 yards—fourth in the conference), is back for seventh-year coach Jim Heacock.

The defensive line could be the Redbirds' weak link, although rush end Armandos Fisher, a transfer from Tennessee, will help and Damon Turner and James Dowdy will see action. All-conference Chris Stevens returns at middle linebacker, supported by fellow three-year regulars Jon Hutton and Benjie Radford. The secondary features returning starters Jerry Creer, Lonnie Robinson, Bill Randles, and Franky West. The kicking is solid with Todd Kurz, who booted a school-record 18 field goals and earned first-team All-America honors (Kodak) as a freshman.

**TERRE HAUTE**

(4-7, 2-4) Coach Dennis Raetz has reason for optimism in Terre Haute as the Sycamores return 15 starters from a team that won its last two games. The offense is centered around All-America junior tailback David Wright, who has rushed for 2,575 yards and 17 touchdowns the past two seasons. Leading the eight returning receivers is Larry Brown (27 catches for 344 yards). Scott Crenshaw enters his senior year with 56 career receptions for 731 yards. The quarterback was a question mark in the spring. The top candidates are Tom Ceranasi, Chad Distler and Kevin Cox.

Defense has always been a strength of the Sycamores, and that won't change this year. All but one regular returns from the unit that led the Gateway in turnover differential. The line is the key. All-conference tackle Dan Brandenburg had a school-record 13

sacks and was the No. 2 tackler. Richard Moss topped the Sycamores with 113 tackles. The kicking game is in good shape with the return of all-GC punter Jay Gerth and place-kicker Tom Allison.

**SW. ILLINOIS**

(7-4, 4-2) Coach Jesse Branch plans to implement a reworked offense, replacing the flexbone attack that has been his trademark for eight years with the one-back, pro-style set the Bears used to claim five victories in their last six games. Southwest returns six starters on offense, but gone are quarterback Phil Johnson, leading rusher Anthony Pegues, and leading receiver Chuck Calhoun, Kyle Geller and redshirt freshman Jeremy Hoog will compete to replace Johnson. Matt Hosey is the No. 1 candidate to take over at tailback and Joel Herman is the top returning receiver. All-conference center Luke Hake also is back.

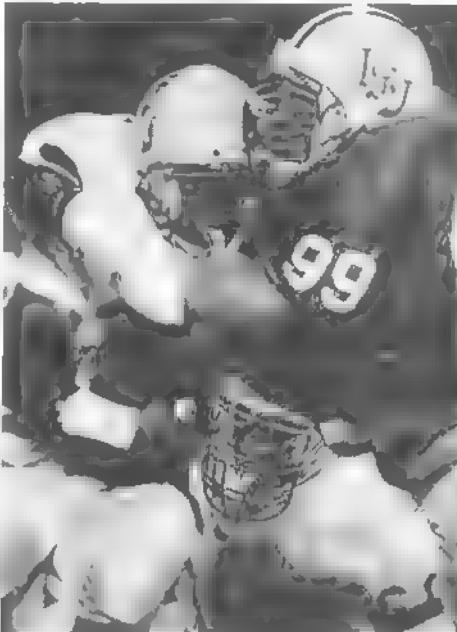
Defensively inside linebackers DeLaun Fowler, who led the team in tackles (111), and Brian Gillespie return along with free safety Travis Richardson and two other members of the secondary. Sophomore Wayne Boyer, the team's leading scorer, is back to handle all the place-kicking.

**NORTH ILLINOIS**

(4-7, 4-2) Coach Randy Bali hopes to rebound from a disappointing season behind nine returning offensive starters, including quarterback Rob St. Sauver and the top

three rushers (Kendall McDonald, Rory Lee, Tim Ardis) and receivers (Gunnard Twyner, McDonald, and Ardis). Tight end Twyner was all-conference with 42 catches for 560 yards. McDonald rushed for 660 yards and St. Sauver passed for 1,764 yards. All-GC guard Richard Huddleston heads up an experienced line.

Defensively, the Leathernecks must replace their top two tacklers and all-GC performers Ken McManan at linebacker and Rodney Harrison in the secondary. Jason Vasconez, the No. 3 tackler, is the top defender returning. Punter/kicker Russ Schulte also is back.



**CHRIS STEVENS** Illinois State

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS**

(3-7-1, 2-3-1) All-America hopeful Willie High burst onto the scene at running back last year as a freshman with a league-leading 1,487 yards and 12 touchdowns. The big question on offense is who will replace four-year starter Jeff Thorne at quarterback. Pete Mauch, Mark Doherty, and Northern Illinois transfer Ron Reichert are the top candidates. The offense also will feature center Duane Conway, guard Don Mensik, and receiver Greg Jenson. The Panthers should get plenty of points from all-conference place-kicker Steve Largent, who booted 11 field goals last fall. Two-time all-GC cornerback Ray McElroy leads the defense. Linebacker Tim Carver (138 tackles) and fellow all-league honoree Kevin Zeng add support.

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS**

(2-9, 1-5) Shawn Watson takes over the Salukis' reigns with his work cut out for him. He retains just nine starters. Quarterback, however, won't be a problem. David Pierson passed for 1,317 yards and 11 touchdowns and Matt Jones added 989 yards and six touchdowns. Melvin Dukes is the top running back. He led the Salukis with just 479 yards but caught 22 passes for 258 yards. Running back William Tolentino, the team's second-leading scorer, also returns. The leading candidates at receiver are Aaron Baker and Jermaine Gray.



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Defensively, the Satukis lost six of their top eight tacklers from a year ago. Linebacker Brian Tranchitella and free safety Jim Cravens will anchor the unit. Tranchitella was second on the team with 72 tackles and Cravens was a second-team all-GC pick.

### pioneer league

#### *predictions*

##### *pioneer league*

1. Drake
2. Evansville
3. Butler
4. Dayton
5. Valparaiso
6. San Diego

#### **DRAKE**

Drake made a successful return to Division I-AA with a 3-2 mark, good for second place in the Pioneer League, and defeated all five of its nonconference opponents. The Bulldogs did it with offense, leading the league in scoring (30.4 points per game), rushing (239 8-yard average), and total offense (444 8-yard average). First-team all-PL quarterback Roy Fletcher returns after passing for 1,083 yards and 11 TDs. He will be rejoined in the backfield by fellow junior Cortez Hull, the leading rusher in each of the past two years. Coach Rob Ash will make a run for the top this fall with defense. Eight starters return to the unit, including all-league linemen Todd Sauer and Craig Ortwerth (8 sacks) and linebacker Matt Garvis (team-high 105 tackles). Sophomore safety Daron Buch anchors the secondary.

#### **EVANSTVILLE**

Three years ago, coach Robin Cooper came to Evansville with one goal: to play winning football. The Aces answered the call, going 7-2 in 1992 and 6-4 last season. Look for them to continue the momentum this fall with an experienced team. The offense returns junior quarterback Eric Fish and tight end Hanz Hoag. Fish led the Pioneer League in passing (2,562 yards and 17 TDs) and was 11th in I-AA in total offense. Hoag earned I-AA first-team All-America honors, leading the league in receptions (66) and finishing sixth nationally. D.J. DeWees, Mike Wider and Sean Stinson combined for 82 catches. The backfield is secure with Chad Albano (614 yards rushing, 25 catches, and 12 TDs). Center Kim Williams and tackle Aaron Mayes are the only starters back on the line. Linebacker Jerry Meade, who made 100 or more tackles four years in a row, must be replaced. Competing for the two inside spots are Jason Hare, Chase Reagan, and Sherman Back. Justin Bogunia, Heath Kirkpatrick, Joey Cook, and Chad McIntrye return on the outside. The secondary returns James Duncan, Josh Badasch, and Adam Bruggenschmidt.

Welcome to Division I-AA football! The Bulldogs, 8-2 and co-champions of the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference in 1992 slipped to 4-6 in '93 but still managed a second-place conference tie. Senior quarterback Jason Stahl has passed for over 3,000 yards and 22 touchdowns the last two years and he should add to those statistics behind a senior line guards Keith Rossell and Michael Klett, tackle Damon Black, center Ja-

son O'Rourke, and tight end Travis Dixon. Joe DeJaegher will attempt to replace league rushing leader Richard Johnson (1,535 yards). Wideout Kevin Gribbins averaged 21.0 yards on 14 receptions and scored seven TDs. Coach Ken LaRose is counting on five returnees to provide leadership for an otherwise untested defense: all-conference free safety Cameron McDowell (4 interceptions), back Larry Winters, ends Elgin Reese (15 career sacks) and Chris Toner, and linebacker Matt Kistler.

#### **VALPARAISO**

After two consecutive winning records, including a last year's league championship, the Flyers look to be rebuilding. Quarterback Tony Ernst proved to be a suitable replacement for Steve Keller, completing 60 percent of his passes for 1,372 yards and six TDs. Barry Esposito led all receivers with 29 catches for 392 yards and was the league leader in punt returns, averaging 10.3 yards. Center Jude France and guard John Mullen anchor the line. Coach Mike Flynn's biggest task will be fielding a competitive defensive unit. Matt Deters returns in the secondary and tackle Doug Kraus, who had five sacks on the line. One bright spot will be the kicking game. Punter Jason Brower averaged 32.9 yards and Tim Duvic converted 35 of 36 PATs and 9 of 16 field goals.

#### **SAN DIEGO**

Coach Tom Horne understands that winning football programs aren't built overnight. Valparaiso posted a 5-6 record in '93, their best record since 1985. Sixteen starters return, including free safety Shayne Snider, an honorable mention All-America. He finished second nationally with eight interceptions. Two other big-play defenders and all-conference honorees return in inside linebacker Jeff Seymour and end John Palyok. Seymour was fourth in the league in tackles and Palyok led the Crusaders with four sacks and tied Snider with four fumble recoveries. Quarterback Rob Rayl must be replaced, but Horne can rely on a solid line and backfield. Halfback Ozzie Young (32 catches) and fullback Trevor Bell combined for 980 yards and 11 TDs. All-league tackle John Lyon anchors a line that helped produce 355 yards in total offense per game.

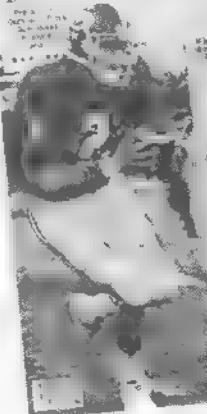
#### **SAN DIEGO**

The Toreros played respectable football in their inaugural season in Division I-AA, posting a 6-4 mark (but just 1-4 in the conference). Now coach Brian Fogarty must find replacements for seven offensive and five defensive starters. On a positive note, Senior quarterback Vince Moiso (1,784 passing yards and 16 TDs) returns, as do tight end Scott Steingruber (team-high 32 receptions), sophomore running back Jermaine Rucker (6.7-yard average), and senior tackle Matt Taylor (6-2, 275).

The defense should be solid because the entire starting line and the majority of the secondary return. Linemen Adam Smith, Eddie Messina, and Josh Wright combined for 11 sacks. The backfield features leading tackler Daniel Furleigh, Jesse Hall (3 interceptions), and Shaun Grove. Punter Robert Ray earned all-league honors after averaging 37.9 yards. □

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## pac-10 conference

### ARIZONA

The Wildcats opened the eyes of the nation—and gave the prestige of Pac-10 football a huge boost—with their 29-0 destruction of Miami in the Fiesta Bowl. This may be the season they get a long-awaited showcase in the Rose Bowl. Dick Tomey's team was 10-2 in 1993, and 6-2 and tied for first in the conference. But it missed a trip to Pasadena because of a loss to co-champion UCLA. Despite the departure of Outland Trophy winner Rob Waldrop and some other key players, the Cats appear to have the personnel to reach the top this fall.

### predictions

- pac-10 conference
1. Arizona
  2. Southern Cal
  3. UCLA
  4. Washington
  5. California
  6. Arizona State
  7. Stanford
  8. Washington State
  9. Oregon State
  10. Oregon

A dominating defense has been Tomey's trademark the last several seasons, and that's where most of the team's stars are, even though Waldrop and players such as end Jimmie Hopkins, linebackers Brant Boyer and Shawn Jarrett, and cornerback Jay Phillips will be missed. Returning are quick end Tedy Bruschi, who led the Pac-10 with 19 sacks, inside linebacker Sean Harris, one of the nation's best, tackle Jim Hoffman, and safeties Tony Bouie and Brandon Sanders. All are honors candidates.

Senior Akil Jackson probably will be at the end opposite Bruschi, who will see more double-teams now that Waldrop is gone, with Hoffman and Chuck Osborne or the promising Joe Salave'a inside. Reserve Thomas Demps will get first call to replace Jarrett at outside linebacker, with junior Charlie Camp, a frequent 1992 starter who redshirted last season after a tailbone injury, likely to take over for leading tackler Boyer inside, opposite the gifted Harris. Sen or Claudius Wright, the secondary's best cover man, returns at one cornerback, with seniors Spencer Wray and Mike Scurlock competing for the other. There's no question at the safeties, where Bouie led the squad with six interceptions and Sanders had a team-high five tackles for loss.

The Cats' kicking game looks very capable, too, thanks to senior Steve McLaughlin, who had 66 points and can hit from long range, and sophomore punter Matt Peyton (37-yard average).

In the Fiesta Bowl, Arizona appeared to have turned the corner offensively from a predictably conservative offense to a balanced attack. Sustaining that could be the most crucial element in whether the Cats make it to Pasadena New Year's Day. Versatile back Chuck Levy, wide receivers Troy Dickey and Terry Vaughn, running back Billy Johnson, and tight end Rod Lewis all have moved on, but this still could be the best offensive team in Tomey's tenure. The key is an all-senior line that returns every starter. Mu Tagoai and Joe Smigel will be the tackles, all-star candidate Warner Smith and Pulu Pounmele the guards, and Hicham El-Mashtoub the center. The only question in the line is at tight end, where Lamar Harris, who figured to replace Lewis, missed spring



ONTIWAUN CARTER Arizona

practice because of a gunshot wound from a drive-by shooting. Tim Thomas, the No. 3 tight end last season, or transfer Damon Terrell might get the call if Harris isn't healthy.

Junior quarterback Dan White, 9-1 as a starter, needs to make better decisions and improve his 49.8 completion percentage, but he came along quickly at the end of the season. Sophomore Brady Batten has talent, too. They'll work with tough senior tailback Ontiwaun Carter, who has 2,294 career rushing yards, sophomore backup

Gary Taylor, and either junior Jason Patterson or redshirt freshman Charles Myles at fullback. Junior Cary Taylor, hurt in the same incident that injured Harris, and sophomore Richard Dice are the top candidates at wide receiver, but they may be pushed by freshmen Ron Holmes and James Romero and transfer Rudolph James.

### SOUTHERN CAL

For a team that was no better than 3-3 after six games, the Trojans didn't do badly in 1993. They were 6-2 in the Pac-10 and shared the conference championship with UCLA, just missing a trip to the Rose Bowl, and finished 8-5 after beating Utah in the Freedom Bowl. The raw talent is there, certainly, to make it to Pasadena this time. Coach John Robinson has just 10 starters back, but he also has 76 players returning overall, and they'll be joined by a 31-member recruiting class that is ranked in the top five in the nation and includes 20 prep and junior college All-Americans. "There's no question our physical talent is on the upswing," Robinson said.

Now he's looking for more physical play, especially in his running game and in defending against the run, to cope with another challenging schedule. This is no longer Tailback University. The Trojans struggled on the ground in '93 getting a 100-yard rushing game just once. Robinson is hoping sophomore tailbacks Shawn Walters (711 yards rushing) and David Dotson or redshirt freshman LaVale Woods are ready to blossom, to complement topflight quarterback Rob Johnson, a prime Heisman Trophy candidate. With Deon Strother gone, the fullback position looks thin—sophomores Kevin Clark and Mark Farlin are the top prospects—and All-American Johnnie Morton has departed the receiving corps. But there's plenty of talent at the wideouts in speedy seniors Ken Grace and Edward Hervey (36 and 22 receptions, respectively), JC All-Americans Keyshawn Johnson and Larry Parker, and redshirt freshman Anthony Valsan.

Up front, the Trojans will be minus tight end Brad Banta, four-year starting center Craig Gibson, guard Joel Crisman, and tackle Jason Keiderling. But Robinson still has a whopping (6-8, 305) Tony Boselli, an Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award candidate, and Norberto Garrido at tackle and senior Kris Pollack at guard. Sophomore John Allred and juniors Tyler Cashman and Johnny McWilliams all have experience at tight end and H-back. Vying for the open guard and center spots are juniors Clay Hatobaugh, Jeremy Hogue, and Robert Loya.

Robinson thinks his defense will be improved significantly, even though inside linebacker Jeff Kopp, outside linebacker Brian Williams, end Matt Keneley, and cornerback John Herpin are the only returning starters. Improvement of youngsters in the line where Lombardi Award semifinalist Willie McGaughie departed, is crucial. Either sophomore Willie Lowery or senior Eric Mahone, who redshirted last season because of a shoulder injury, should open opposite sophomore Keneley, with 300-pound junior Stuart Gage a potentially dominant nose

tackle Kopp, who had 83 tackles, including eight for losses, has been moved from outside to inside linebacker, where he may team with senior Donn Cunningham. Super quick senior Williams (78 tackles) should work with senior Gerald Caruthers outside.

The situation is less sure in the secondary, because of the departure of cornerback Jason Sehorn and long-time starters Jason Oliver and Mike Salmon. The anchor will be steady senior corner Herpin. Senior Jerald Henry is likely to replace Sehorn, with junior Scott Fields, a converted tailback, or sophomore Sammy Knight at strong safety and experienced backup Micah Phillips or sophomore Quincy Harrison at free safety.

Robinson wants more consistent production out of his kicking game, which again will feature junior punter John Stonehouse (38.3-yard average) and senior place-kicker Cole Ford, who missed seven games with a midseason back injury.

The last two months of the 1993 season, everything came up roses for the Bruins. Terry Donahue's team won eight of its final nine games, defeated cross-town rival USC for the third straight year, and earned a spot in the Rose Bowl. There are major losses from a team that finished 8-4 overall and won the



WAYNE COOK UCLA

Pac-10 with a 6-2 record, but this squad should be in contention for a repeat trip to Pasadena because of a big-play offense that is mostly intact.

The key components are All-America split end J.J. Stokes, a leading Heisman Trophy candidate in what looks like a wide-open year for that honor, and emerging quarterback Wayne Cook, who should be one of the conference's best Stokes, who passed up the NFL draft, already holds every Bruin game and season receiving record going into his senior year. In '93, he caught 82 passes for 1,181 yards and 17 touchdowns. Cook, meanwhile, threw for 2,067 yards and 18 TDs and set a Pac-10 record with just three interceptions in 254 pass attempts. In addition to Stokes, Cook will be throwing to a deep receiving corps that includes third-

team sophomore All-America Kevin Jordan, seniors Mike Nguyen and Bryan Adams, and junior Avery Anderson.

Donahue has some uncertainty at running back, because sophomore Skip Hicks, who led the team in rushing with 563 yards, tore a knee ligament during a spring track meet and might miss the season. That would shift the load to senior Daron Washington, junior James Milliner, and sophomores Sharmon Shah and Derek Ayers. Complicating matters offensively is the loss of four-year regulars Craig Novitsky at guard and Vaughn Parker at tackle. The key man up front will be junior tackle Jonathan Ogden, who should work opposite either senior Paul Kennedy or junior Mike Rohme, with Mike Flanagan back at center and senior James Christensen and junior Matt Soenksen, a six-game starter, at guard. Tight end will be a battle among Jamal Clark, Brian Richards, Troy Aldrich, and redshirt freshman Josh Eby.

Donahue thinks he has a good defensive nucleus even without All-America outsides linebacker Jamir Miller and strong safety Marvin Goodwin, both of whom left school a year early to turn pro. Also missing are starting inside linebackers Nkosi Littleton and Carrick O'Quinn, tackle Matt Werner, and free safety Travis Collier. Seniors Sale Isaia and London Woodfin and juniors George Kase, Travis Kirschke, and Grady Stretz will compete for time on the line. Junior Donnie Edwards, third on the team with 63 tackles, is an All-America candidate at outside linebacker, where either Rod Smalley or Andrew McClave, both seniors, will work with him. Inside, seniors Anthony Jones and Brian Tighe seem the likely choices to replace Littleton and O'Quinn, but sophomore Brent Guyton will push for a starting role. In the secondary, senior cornerback Carl Greenwood is an honors candidate, and junior Teddy Lawrence returns at the other corner. The top contenders for the safety spots are sophomores Paul Guidry and Abdul McCullough and junior Ted Nwoke.

The kicking game could be the best in the nation, with Bjorn Merten, only the fourth freshman in history to earn first-team All-America honors from Associated Press, and first-team all-Pac-10 punter Darren Schager. Merten was 21 of 26 in field-goal attempts, while Schager averaged 42 yards per kick.

The Bruins face an imposing early schedule, opening with Tennessee and then traveling to Lincoln to meet Nebraska in week three before beginning Pac-10 play.

### WILDCATS

The legendary coach is gone, but the two-year NCAA probation is still in effect. So Jim Lambright, who replaced the suddenly-departed Don James just two weeks before the Huskies' 1993 season opener, is still working with a significant handicap: trying to make a name for himself while his team has nothing to play for but pride. This won't be a docile Husky—not with the likes of Napocon Kaufman around—but it's also doubtful that this is a squad that can top the conference without the incentive of a bowl bid. Under the circumstances, 25-year Husky assistant Lambright did very well to craft a 7-4 finish (5-3 and fourth in the Pac-10) in '93. But the

early part of the schedule this fall is brutal. USC, Ohio State, Miami and UCLA in the first four games.

Lambright can call on 12 returning starters, six on each side of the ball. Kaufman, the senior tailback with Heisman Trophy aspirations, heads the list. He set a school single-season rushing record with 1,299 yards and had 1,851 all-purpose yards, topping Hugh McElhenny's 42-year-old Washington mark. New offensive coordinator Bill Dierck plans to throw more to him this season and employ him more on punt and kickoff returns. Kaufman will work in the backfield with junior quarterback Damon Huard, who has the job all to himself now that Eric Bjornson has been switched to wide receiver, and junior fullback Richard Thomas.

Bjornson, who caught 14 passes in part-time service in 1992, will be joined at wideout by sophomore Dave Janoski, transfer Greg Queseda who set a national JC record with 108 receptions for 1,270 yards and 10 TDs, and redshirt freshman Fred Coleman. Then there's senior tight end Mark Bruener, who made three All-America teams after catching 30 passes, and his productive backup, Errie Conwell. But the line probably will drop off after the loss of starters Jim Neville, Pete Pierson, and Tom Gallagher. Guards Andrew Peterson, honorable mention all-Pac-10 and Frank Garcia do return. Juniors Eric Battle, Patrick Kesi, and Don Willis are the leading candidates to start, but transfers Matt Hicks and Opu Semenivage and converted defensive tackle Trevor Highfield could give them an argument.

Oddly, the losses of Jamal Fountaine, Andy Mason, and Morris Trophy winner D'Marco Farr in the defensive line might not be felt as much, because seven players who started at least one game are back. Seniors Donovan Schmidt and Richie Chambers should be at the outside spots, but there's speculation about who will open inside. If he's healthy, junior Steve Hoffmann who underwent back surgery after only two games, could be in the middle. Others in contention are Cedric White, Mike Ewaliko, David Richia, who backed Fountaine all season, and redshirt freshman Jason Chorak. Junior Ink Aleaga, who missed half of the season with a broken leg but came back strong, and either John Fiala or Jaime Weindl should be the inside linebackers. The Husky secondary tied for the national lead in interceptions last season (22) and should be very good again with senior Lamar Lyons (58 tackles) and sophomore Lawyer Milloy at the safeties, senior roverbacks David Kilpatrick and Louis Jones, senior cornerback Russell Hairston, and junior corners Reggie Reser and Scott Greenlaw. The backfield is so deep that Kilpatrick and Jones worked at linebacker in the spring.

The kicking game is a mystery. Punter John Werdel and place-kicker Travis Hanson, each three-year veterans, are gone and Lambright didn't recruit any replacements, so walk-ons will bid for the jobs.

**Under fire** last year at this time, Bears coach Keith Gilbertson is feeling much more secure, and so his team after a 9-4 season (4-4 and tied for fourth in the Pac-10) that culminated with a 37-3 romp over Iowa in the

Alamo Bowl. A good recruiting class (rated No. 21 in the nation in *SuperPrep*) doesn't hurt, either. But there are major losses, particularly on offense, from a squad that finished in the top 25 in the final rankings.

Just three offensive starters—quarterback Dave Barr, senior tackle Brian Thure, and junior guard Frank Beede—return. Barr, coming off the 10th-best passing season in NCAA history, probably will have to carry much of the load early while running backs Reynard Rutherford (578 yards as a backup to 1,000-yard rusher Lindsey Chapman in '93), Tarik Smith, Tyrone Edwards, and Johnny Tavake and wide receivers Iheanyi Uwaezuoke, Na'i Benjamin, and Fred Sims continue to develop. Rutherford and Uwaezuoke, who caught 25 passes for 422 yards despite playing in the shadow of the departed Mike Caldwell, both have the ability to make a major impact.

There are huge losses—figuratively and literally—in the line with the departure of Todd Steussie and Eric Mahlum to the NFL. But Thure, a 300-pounder in his third season as a starter, has All-American talent. Beede may move to tackle to team with Thure, with junior Ben Lynch shifting from guard to center and senior Randy Nonhof and junior Jeremy Becker moving in at guard. JC All-American Derek Barton may well be in the mix, too. Sophomores Sean Bullard and Matt Johnson will battle for a starting spot at tight end, with prep All-American Tony Gonzalez also a possible factor. A major part of Cal's kicking game is gone with the graduation of Doug Brien, who made 56 field goals over the last three seasons. It's likely the Bears will return to a dual-threat kicker in sophomore Ryan Longwell, who averaged 40.6 yards per punt in '93.

Because of the youth of the Bear offense, defensive coordinator Augie Gigantino's unit may have to become a dominant force if the team is to be in the Pac-10 title hunt. "I think we're better at every position defensively," Gilbertson said, "and have the potential to become the best defense at Cal in many years." The keys are All-American candidate Jerrott Willard, who has led the Pac-10 in tackles each of the last two seasons; first-team freshman All-American end Regan Upshaw, who had 7½ sacks, and tough cornerbacks Artis Houston and Kevin Devine, both of whom have 4.5 speed. Junior Duane Clemons or sophomore Andy Jacobs should open opposite Upshaw, with seniors Brad Bowers and Greg Webb likely inside. The underrated Paul Joiner will work with Willard at inside linebacker, with talented junior James Stallworth likely to replace Michael Davis outside. Savvy senior Ricky Spears will be at strong safety, with junior Jerod Cherry and senior Darrell Miles vying at free safety. Another candidate is senior Matt Cizbe, who was second-team all-Pac-10 after averaging 9.2 yards on punt returns.

The nonconference schedule (San Diego State, Hawaii, and San Jose State) isn't too taxing and figures to provide an opportunity for some of the kids—particularly on offense—to pick up experience. If they develop, the Bears should be a bowl team for the fourth time in the last five seasons.

"I'm optimistic," Gilbertson said, "because we built good, solid depth last season by using a lot of players and a lot of different

formations on both sides of the ball. I believe we have a nice balance."

## MIZZOU

Questions abound in Tempe. Bruce Snyder's Sun Devils opened just 2-4 in 1993, but for the second year in a row, they were the Pac-10's hottest team in the second half of the season and finished 6-5 overall (4-4 in the conference), just missing a bowl invitation. They probably will be lucky to be that good this fall, considering some major player losses, a tough schedule, and what could be a severe lack of depth.

The first-team defense looks fairly solid, with seven starters back from a unit that posted two shutouts and held opponents without a touchdown for 10 straight quarters late in the season. But gone are All-American end Shante Carver, who accounted for a third of the Sun Devils' quarterback sacks in



ROB JOHNSON Southern Cal

'93, tackle Larry Boyd, and backs Lenny McGill and Mark Brown. The defensive leader will be senior Craig Newsome, whom Snyder calls "one of the finest cornerbacks I've ever seen at this level." Newsome, a Jim Thorpe Award candidate, had 57 tackles, 12 pass deflections, and four interceptions. End Ken Talanoa and Bryan Proby return in the line with redshirt freshman Shawn Swayda and senior Eric Schmidt or sophomore Brent Burnstein likely to join them.

Inside linebacker should be the deepest position, if senior Justin Dragoo can come back from a knee injury that forced him to miss 10 games. Senior Jason Kyle is the top returning tackler, and both Dan Lucas and Sam Santana have starting experience, as does senior Brian Easter, but he was suspended indefinitely by Snyder in the spring. Outside should be two other familiar faces: roverback Harlen Rashada and "gunner" Kendall Rhyne. Junior Marcus Soward or transfer Anthony Davis is likely to open at corner opposite Newsome, with senior Eddie Cade (57 tackles) at free safety.

The situation looks a good deal less secure on offense, where Mario Bates, ASU's first 1,000-yard rusher since 1986, departed for the NFL and center Toby Mills and guards Farrington "Taco" Togiai and Chuck Underwood are gone, too. Much depends on the continued improvement of quarter-

back Jake Plummer, who had a fine freshman season, passing for 1,243 yards and leading the team to a 4-2 record in six late-season starts. The receiving corps, led by seniors Johnny Thomas and Clyde McCoy, sophomore Jason McCovey, and junior Carlos Artis, has potential but lacks experience. Tight end is well-stocked with returning co-starters Steve Bush and Matt Nelson.

The Sun Devil attack will need production from junior Chris Hopkins, who is expected to replace Bates, and returnees Parnell Charles, Ryan Wood, and Michael Martin. The left side of the line is capable, with huge Jeff Kysar, an honors candidate and Juan Roque at tackle and guard. Either letterman Troy Martz or Kyle Murphy will bid to replace four-year regular Mills at center, with eight-game starter DeMario Vaughn at the other tackle and senior Joe Cajic at guard.

Junior Noel Prefontaine and redshirt freshman Marcus Williams may challenge punter Lance Anderson, who averaged 39.3 yards last fall, but senior Jon Baker looks secure as the place-kicker.

The Sun Devils recruited well, but they have six 1993 bowl teams on the schedule, a heavy assignment for a team that doesn't appear to have adequate numbers at several positions. "I wish we had better all-around depth," Snyder said, "but that can only be improved with time."

Junior tight end Tony Cline (42 for 465). Also back are David Shaw, Mark Harris, Andre Krwan, and speedy Brian Manning.

But this will again be a one-pronged attack despite the return of nine offensive regulars, unless some runners step forward. Tailback Ethan Allen, who caught 52 passes but rushed for just 260 yards, and fullback Greg Comella are the probable starters, but the Cardinal needs much more out of sophomore Mike Mitchell, who had a disappointing season. Walsh is also hoping Stenstrom can run more effectively when the situation calls for him to scramble. Four starters return in a line that could be among the best in the conference if the tackles block more consistently. Senior Seth Dittman is back at one tackle with senior Mike Jenrich and junior Jeff Buckley at guard and senior T.J. Gaynor at center. The leading candidates to replace three-year starter Steve Hoyem at the other tackle are junior Ken Loncar and senior Ryan Waters.

Walsh had to replace seven defensive starters last fall, and it showed, as opponents stampeded for 465 yards per game and averaged 35.4 points. Undersized inside linebacker Coy Gibbs (6-0, 220), who has 186 career tackles, and senior nose tackle Jason Fisk should be the leaders. But what the team really needs is more physical play out of its safeties, Kevin Garnett and David Walker, who may be pushed for playing time by youngsters in a small but talented recruiting class. Elsewhere on defense senior David Carder and junior Pete Swanson should flank Fisk up front, with promising sophomore Justin Strand teaming with Gibbs at inside linebacker, sophomore Brian Batson and junior Jason White at outside linebacker, and junior Kwame Ellis and sophomore Eliel Swinton likely at cornerbacks. Swinton, who was named the team's Most Valuable Freshman, started at least one game at all four backfield positions.

There is some uncertainty in the kicking game, because punter Aaron Mills, who averaged a league-leading 42.2 yards, tore a knee ligament playing basketball and missed spring drills. If he can't go, freshman Kevin Miller may take over. The place-kicker will be junior Eric Abrams, who has kicked 27 career field goals in 38 attempts.

**STANFORD**  
It was an atypical season for Bill Walsh down on The Farm. The Cardinal finished just 4-7 (2-6 in the Pac-10), a result that Walsh called "disappointing and frustrating." He believes his team is ready to rebound, but it's still a very young squad with some noticeably pressing problems. For one thing, Walsh, who was left physically and emotionally drained by the 1993 season, has to find some semblance of a running game to take the pressure off talented but often beleaguered quarterback Steve Stenstrom. Even more important, he has to hope for dramatic improvement in a defense that simply wasn't very good.

The passing offense should rate with the best in the country. Stenstrom, a fifth-year senior who completed 300 passes for 3,627 yards, has his favorite targets back in 6-6 senior wide receiver Justin Armour, an All-America candidate who caught 51 passes for 764 yards and six touchdowns, and se-

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field starters, corners Torey Hunter and Greg Burns (who is recovering from knee surgery) and safeties Singor Mobley and John Rushing. The other regulars should be linebackers Mark Fields, a junior whom some rate as even a better athlete than departed star Anthony McClanahan, and Chris Hayes and linemen Don Sasa and Todd Shaw, who missed spring practice because of a shoulder injury, junior Robert Booth, or transfer Dwayne Sanders. If Burns isn't healthy, sophomore Ray Jackson should start in his place, and promising soph James Darling could see service at linebacker.

"I think we could be as good or little better than we were a year ago on defense," Price said, "but our nonconference opponents might not let our statistics be better."

Much will depend on how well junior quarterback Chad Davis, a transfer from Oklahoma, does in taking over an offense that will be minus the likes of tight end Brett Carolan, wide receivers Deron Pointer, Keith Reynolds, and Shane DeLaCruz, and linemen Mike Bailey, Josh Dunning, and Steve Wolfe. Davis, an accurate passer, did very well in the spring to move ahead of Chad DeGrenier and Derek Chapman, but he'll be working mostly with untested running backs and receivers. Kevin Hicks (497 yards rushing, 22 receptions) and Derek Sparks both were held out in the spring. Hicks to work on his grades, Sparks to rehabilitate an injured shoulder. Sophomore Will Haskell (222 yards rushing) and junior Frank Madu could share the work with them. Price is hoping senior Albert Kennedy, returnees Jay Dumas and Chad Carpenter, and newcomers Bryant Thomas and Evan Ford can blossom at wide receiver, and that junior Eric Moore can replace workhorse Carolan. The line will be led by a pair of honors candidates, senior Paul Reed at guard and junior Marc McCloskey at center, with senior Clay Reis and sophomore Scott Sanderson, coming off a shoulder injury, at tackle and senior Ron Lewis or freshman Jason McEndoo at the other guard.

The kicking game could be an area of concern, with place-kicker Aaron Price and punter Steve Johnston both gone. Tony Truant and Tim Roth are vying to replace Price, with junior George Martin the likely punter.

**WAVERLY STATE**  
Cougars coach Mike Price thinks his team can be a bowl contender, but for that to happen, a lot of things have to go right. The team's defense, eighth-best in the nation last year and No. 2 against the run, has to hold up against a tougher schedule; a young offense has to jell quickly, new kickers have to produce, and injuries have to be avoided. So it's difficult to forecast improvement for a squad that was 5-6 overall and 3-5 (sixth-place) in the Pac-10. In their first four games this fall, the Cougars must play Illinois, Fresno State, UCLA, and Tennessee, a challenging test for a team that has just three starters back on offense.

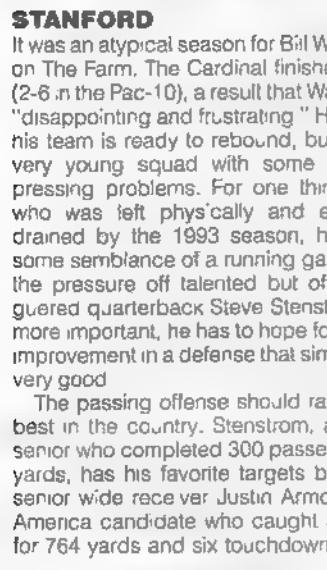
The defense will have to do most of the work early. There are good players nearly everywhere on that unit, including first-team all-conference selections DeWayne Patterson at end, Chad Eaton at tackle, and Ron Childs (79 tackles) at linebacker. All are seniors. Returning with them are all four back-

**BEAVERS**  
Jerry Pettibone finally may have things turned around in Corvallis. The Beavers were a tough team toward the end of last season, playing Rose Bowl-bound UCLA plus Stanford and Washington close in losses and beating Oregon, en route to a respectable 4-7 finish (2-6 and tied for seventh in the Pac-10), a far cry from the 1-9-1 and 1-10 seasons that preceded it. Pettibone's wishbone, previously the subject of scorn, worked well enough that he could say, "I think it's beginning to prove itself."

The Beavers still didn't pass well out of their option attack, completing just 30 of 83 for 311 yards and three touchdowns, but Pettibone said that that was primarily because of injuries at quarterback. And the running game was frequently a smash, as the Beavers finished second in the nation in rushing with 296 yards per game. Halfback J.J. Young turned into perhaps the Pac-10's top rusher, with 955 net yards and 1,216 all-

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purpose yards as a junior. Cameron Reynolds should replace the departed Chad Paulson as the other halfback, with a trio of returnees—John Young (350 yards rushing), Cedrick Thomas, and J.D. Stewart—at fullback. In the spring, sophomore Don Shanklin moved ahead of sophomore Rahim Muhammad at quarterback, even though Muhammad started in the second half of the season, running the offense smartly in five games and rushing for 400 yards. On the infrequent occasions Pettibone calls a pass, leading receiver Chris Cross will be there, along with Sylvester Green.

The line has three returning senior starters in tackle John Garrett and center Johnny Feinga, both of whom were honorable-mention all-Pac-10, and guard Starling Latu. Junior Tim Camp may open as the other tackle, with sophomore Brad Thompson at guard and junior Brad Barcroft or redshirt Justin Moore at tight end. "Garrett and Feinga should be real forces," Pettibone said, and Thompson could be an outstanding guard. But depth could be a problem as it is so often with the Beavers.

Without doubt, the strength of the defense is the secondary, which some think could be the best in the conference. The leader is senior cornerback William Ephraim, who'll be joined by returning starters Michael Hale and Reggie Tongue at the safeties and sophomore Buster Eahee, a first-team freshman All-American who started six games, at the other corner. Ephraim had 82 tackles and broke up 10 passes. There's not nearly so much experience in the line, where junior tackle Tom Holmes is the key man with support from junior David Kiepke and senior Packy Ena. And Pettibone is concerned about his strength at outside linebacker, where 1992 starters Eric Hale and Cory Huot, both seniors, head the depth chart. The situation is more stable at inside linebacker, where junior Kane Rogers and '92 starter Rico Petrini took over.

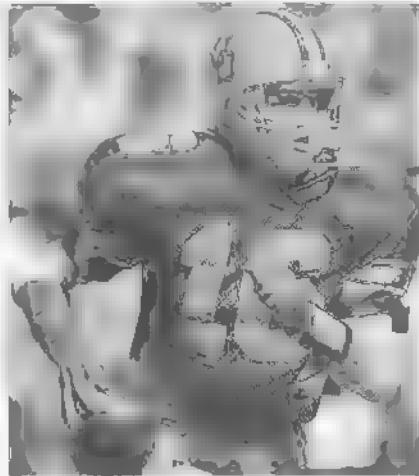
The kicking game appears to be wide open, with punter Tim Kollas and place-kicker Brooke Knight gone. Randy Lund and Doug Stuckey are competing for Knight's job; Stuckey, Mike Smith, and Tony Lauria are bidding to replace Kollas. Freshman Bret Hopkins is contending for both jobs.

#### OFFENSE

The Ducks not only have to rebuild physically, they have a reclamation job to do on their psyche, too, following a shattering finish that included losses to Arizona and Pac-10 also-rans Stanford and Oregon State. Instead of moving into a hoped-for bowl game, the Ducks wound up finishing 5-6 overall and just 2-6 and tied for last in the conference. "We didn't achieve what we were capable of," said coach Rich Brooks, acknowledging the obvious.

And it looks as if the Ducks may have trouble getting out of the the Pac-10 cellar this season, with 13 regulars gone, including seven of the best players at their positions in school history. Among the departed are No. 2 all-time rusher Sean Burwell, career sack leader Ernest Jones, and dominant defensive linemen Romeo Bandison. The Ducks also face a demanding schedule that includes five bowl teams and Division I play-off qualifier Portland State.

Offensive inexperience could hurt early. The only starters Brooks can call on are senior quarterback Danny O'Neil, who has more or less gotten lost among the Pac-10 talent at that position, despite the fact that he's a terrific player who threw for 3,224 yards in 1993, talented junior flanker Cristin McLemore, who had 50 receptions for 791 yards; and senior tackle Steve Hardin, an honors candidate and the line's mainstay. The receiving corps could be good, with junior Kory Murphy, back from a knee injury and Dameron Ricketts, Jamaal Wallace, and Jawanza Hadley joining McLemore, and sophomore Josh Wilcox at tight end. But the running-back corps needs a lot of improvement after an injury-plagued season. Speedy senior Dino Philyaw or junior Ricky



DANNY O'NEIL Oregon

Whittle, the leading returning rusher (just 284 yards), will be at tailback, with sophomore Pulu Malepeai or senior Dwayne Jones at fullback. Hard-working sophomore Paul Wiggins or redshirt freshman David Weber is likely to open along with Hardin at tackle with injury-plagued but versatile senior Heath Howington and big sophomore Willy Rife, Eric Red, or Bob Baldwin at guard and sophomore Mark Gregg or junior Tim DeGroote at center.

The Duck defense needs improvement, but it's a little more settled going in, particularly in the secondary, where all the starters return: juniors Alex Molden and Isaac Walker at the corners and seniors Chad Cota and Dante Lewis at the safeties. And touted corner Herman O'Berry, who went out in the first game last season with an ankle injury, joins them. Elsewhere on defense, senior Silvia Malepeai returns at nose tackle and junior Jeremy Asher at inside linebacker. But there is concern up front, where, apart from Malepeai, there are only seven 1993 starts among the returnees. Juniors Troy Bailey and seniors D.J. Cabrera and Mark Slymen probably will get first call. Inexperience abounds at linebacker, too, where three starters are gone. Rich Ruhl probably will team inside with Asher and Reggie Jordan may start outside.

The kicking and return games are unknown quantities. Return men Burwell and Brian Brown have departed, as has long-time all-purpose kicker Tommy Thompson. Walk-on junior Eric Johannsen is a candidate at place-kicker.

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2. Utah State 3. Nevada
4. New Mexico State 5. Pacific
6. Northern Illinois, 7. UNLV
8. San Jose State 9. Louisiana Tech
10. Arkansas State

For the second straight season, the Big West is making more news off the field than on it. A year ago, it was a multi-pronged expansion that brought a football coalition of Northern Illinois, Louisiana Tech, Southwestern Louisiana, and Arkansas State into the league. This year it's contraction—and plenty of uncertainty. The Big West will be losing two of its members (San Jose State and UNLV) to the suddenly-mammoth Western Athletic Conference in 1996, and two more (Utah State and New Mexico State) wanted into the WAC but were bypassed.

So this will be a lame-duck season that has Big West commissioner Dennis Farrell pondering the possibilities. "We're looking at it from a really positive standpoint," Farrell said. "Sometimes you have to take a step backward to go five steps forward. The current fad obviously is to go to mega-conferences." At press time, Farrell was weighing the options of remaining what he thinks is a "still very viable" eight-team conference, finding schools to replace San Jose State and UNLV and expanding beyond 10 teams. The most likely additions or replacements could be Idaho and Boise State of the Big Sky and North Texas State, all of which were considered when the Big West expanded in 1993.

The Ragin' Cajuns were the nation's most improved team in 1993, and Neeson Stokley was named Big West Coach of the Year after an 8-3 season that included a 5-1 mark and a tie for first in the conference. All that after the league's coaches and the media had picked Stokley's squad to finish ninth in its initial Big West season.

Nobody will pick them ninth again. And if Stokley can find some defensive linemen and wide receivers, the Ragin' Cajuns should be right back at the top. The defense dominated the Big West last fall, and Stokley thinks he has the best defensive player in the country in senior safety Orlando Thomas, the Big West co-Defensive Player of the Year. Thomas had 96 tackles and nine interceptions. He'll be rejoined in the secondary by Fernando Thomas and Lerodric Gilmore and speedster Tim Sensley. Also back is senior middle linebacker Patrice Alexander, who heads a corps that is minus top tackler Charles Pool but has strength in transfer Marlon Goff and returnees Kasey Kramer, Casey Brabham, and Pat Brennan. Depth in the line is a major concern, but starting tackle Clifton Syvester returns. He'll probably be teamed with sophomore Paul Cabilio and senior Joe Bailey.

The Ragin' Cajuns made major strides offensively in '93, and that should continue, thanks to sophomore quarterback Jake Delhomme, who threw for 1,842 yards and 14 touchdowns, and to running backs Steve Mocek, Marcus Prier, and Kenyon Cotton. But wide receiver Marcus Carter (53 catches) and tight ends Buck Moncla and Ryan McGrath will be missed. The lone lettermen available at the receiving spots are wideout Ron Thomas and tight end Garnick Mayweather. All-Big West tackle Harry Lemming has departed, but the offensive front is big and talented with the likes of tackles Keno Hils and Ronald Gunner and guard Brian Sansalone. Junor Mike Shafer returns as the place-kicker, with Jeremy Deach likely to replace standout punter Jody Watkins.

**TEXAS A&M**  
The Aggies had a big season in 1993, tying for the Big West championship and then beating Ball State in Las Vegas Bowl II. But the 5-1 conference finish (7-5 overall) may be tough to match because nine offensive starters are gone, including quarterback Anthony Calvillo, who set a school record with 3,260 yards in total offense, leading receiver Mike Lee, tight end Aubrey Thompson, and key interior linemen Warren Bowers, Rich Tylski, and Jed DeVries. Missing from the defense will be two-time all-Big West linebacker Jermaine Younger.

Coach Charlie Weatherbie likely will construct his offense around running back Pro-fai Grier, who missed spring practice because of a suspension. Grier rushed for 947 yards (third-best in the Big West) and 10 touchdowns in '93. Also back are junior James Dye, who rushed for 447 yards and averaged 117.2 all-purpose yards per game, and guard Darrin Mitchell, a second-team Freshman All-America. Sophomore Matt Wells was No. 1 on the depth chart at quarterback in the spring, but transfer Jorge Ortiz, who completed 468 passes in two junior college seasons, may well be the man this fall. Figuring to step in at wide receiver are Kevin Alexander and Shawn Turner. Two other newcomers, freshman running back Melvin Blue and transfer lineman Jared Tu-one, could play key roles.

Defensively, the Aggies return sophomore Pratt Lyons, second-team all-Big West, and senior Dave Balls in the line, senior Gary Brown at inside linebacker, and seniors Tyrone Trimble and Travis Schow at the safeties. Transfers LaRon Bond and Spencer Waggoner figure to help in the secondary, and Todd Wright and Curtis Radford, a Deal All-America at the Idaho School for Deal and Bond, will add depth in the line. Place-kicker Nathan Morreale, who set a school single-season record with 19 field goals and was a second-team Freshman All-America, returns, as does sophomore punter Micah Knorr (38.6-yard average).

## NEVADA

Chris Ault is back, which has to be good news for the Wolf Pack, because he's the winningest coach (145-58-1 in 17 seasons) in school history. Ault replaces Jeff Horton, who moved to UNLV after guiding the Wolf Pack to a 7-4 overall record and a 4-2 mark and third place in the conference somewhat disappointing numbers for a squad that had

won two titles in the Big Sky and one in the Big West the previous three seasons.

Nevada was No. 1 in the nation in total offense, with 569 yards per game, and averaged 38.1 points. But that will be tough to duplicate, since eight offensive starters, including national passing leader Chris Vargas and No. 2 national receiver Bryan Reeves, are gone. Ault will aim for a balanced attack with junior quarterback Mike Maxwell, senior running back Marcellus Crichton (809 yards rushing), senior wide receiver Mike Senior (58 receptions for 962 yards), transfer receivers Cornel West, Alex Van Dyke, and Steve McHenry, and senior tight end Jude Mayne. Senior guard Mark Walker is the only returning line starter, but Deron Thorpe, Mike Breaux, and Jeff Hadwick are ready to fill in, along with redshirt Bob Cooper and transfer Mike Rockwood, who is certainly big enough at 7-0 and 310 pounds. Talented senior Armando Avina again will fill both kicking roles.

Defensively, Ault can call on eight returning starters, led by senior end Marty Washington and senior inside linebacker Andy Buh (95 tackles). Returning starters David Miller and Jeff Kondra and letterman Frank Marvitz will get a look up front, with redshirt freshman Aaron Lozano, Julian Yearwood and Mike Crawford at inside linebacker and senior Ryan Milliken and redshirt freshman Deshawn Myles at outside linebacker. The secondary could be a strong point, since Clayton Lopez, Tim Rucks, Garnett Overby, Dominic Boucheron, Bernie Chapman, and Darnell Hasson all started last fall.

## NEW MEXICO STATE

Coach Jim Hess is refreshingly realistic. "Our first two years, our program was bad," he said. "The last two, we've brought it to average: 11-11. The next step is to take it to good." After some productive recruiting, Hess thinks he has the material to do that, and turn a team that was 5-6 overall but 4-2 and tied for third in the Big West (its best conference finish ever) into a consistent winner.

The Aggies offense should be a strength, beginning with junior quarterback Cody Ledbetter, who had offseason knee surgery. He has all of his top receivers back—Lucious Davis (36 catches for 766 yards) and David Osborne (27 for 451), Kenny Canady, and Roderic Payne—plus versatile halfback Brian Prizila (334 yards rushing, 33 pass receptions) and two starters in the line, junior guard Heath Haedge and senior center Gerald Slovacek. The Aggies didn't do well protecting the passer in '93, and Hess hopes a pair of 300-pound transfers, Brian Blair and Tim Holland, will help remedy that. The running game will get a big boost if Lawrence Truehill, the team leader in 1992 but ineligible last fall, is back, as expected.

The defense has more questions. The Aggie line lost all three regulars, but Hess has some outstanding newcomers, including Bernie Johnson, Nesinali Tuipulotu, and Dwayne Waltower, and he may be able to go to a 4-3 front. Tim Mauck and Mike Wall are major losses at linebacker, but senior Tony Gray is back inside and Bryan Duplessis and Beau LeBreton outside. The lone returning starter in the secondary is junior safety Cedric Walton. The kicking game is solid with punter Chad Zecha (39.5) and place-

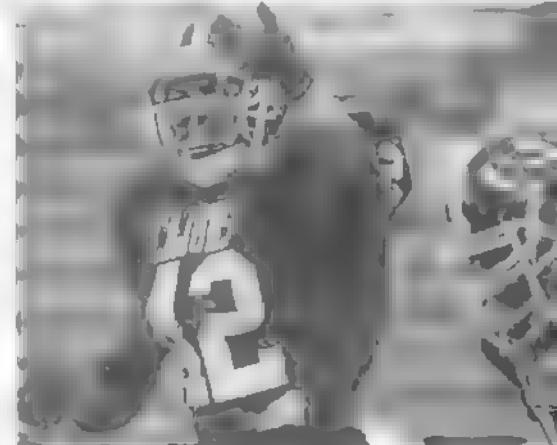
kicker Bubba Culn, the team's leading scorer (55 points), both back.

## PACIFIC

Coming off a 3-8 season and a tie for sixth in the Big West at 2-4, coach Chuck Shelton sounds surprisingly optimistic. "We should be a top-division team," he said. "I know we're better, bigger, and stronger than we have been. This will be the best defense I've had in my three years here."

The Tigers' defense starts with an excellent secondary that includes a trio of three-year starters: cornerbacks Darius Cunningham (72 tackles, 3 interceptions) and Duane Thomas and safety Jeff Russell. They'll be joined by fellow senior Nathan Young, who has been a spot starter. The line returns senior tackles Brad Stammer and Charles Miller, who could be outstanding, and sophomore nose tackle Jason Evans. The key is how well new inside linebackers like Martin Konrad and Vince Bruno develop, and whether senior Eric Stavola can stay healthy to support senior Jamison Anderson outside.

Senior quarterback Craig Whelihan, who engineered two season-ending victories and passed for 1,395 yards, will lead the offense, with rushing support from tailbacks Stanley Green (445 yards) and transfer Joe Abdullah, who backed Marshall Faulk at San



**ORLANDO THOMAS** Southwestern Louisiana

Diego State, and fullback Michael Edwards. Whelihan's targets are sophomore wide receivers Greg Weston (29 receptions), Damon Bowers, and Jay Mayo and tight end Mike Morales. The line returns center Aaron McClellan, one of the Big West's best at his position, guards Dan Weldon and Justin Werth, and Matt McGinn, with senior Brandon Kane likely at the other tackle. Sophomore Jon Brock is the top candidate at place-kicker and redshirt freshman Roger Fleenor may be the punter.

The Huskies were only 4-7 overall and 3-3 in their first season in the Big West—and that with tailback LeShon Johnson, whose 1,976 yards rushing were the fourth-most in major-college history and accounted for more than 85 percent of his team's offense. What happens now that he's gone? "I wish we still had him," coach Charlie Sadler said, "but our program goes on. We'll be better at every position but tailback, and we'll still be good there." But Johnson's backup, senior Brian

Grimes rushed for only 94 yards, and sophomore Charles Talley is unproven. So is 6-5 transfer quarterback Aaron Gilbert, who Sadler thinks has great tools. Gilbert will be working with veteran receivers Maurice Patterson (29 catches for 561 yards), Sean Allgood and Otha Brooks, although Raymond Roberts will be difficult to replace at tight end. The Huskies have three 300-pounders in the line in tackles Timmie Lewis and Derek Sholdice and guard Kent Booth. The other starters should be guard Mike Sutherland and center Chris O'Neal.

Seven regulars are back from a defense that yielded 441.6 yards and 30.4 points per game. The premier player is senior inside linebacker Gerald Nickeberry, an All-American candidate who has 310 career tackles. Other top names are outside linebacker C.J. Rose, linemen Hollis Thomas (57 tackles), Greg Bryant, and Steve Rhoads, inside linebackers Mande Hester, Shawn Wehrspann and Paul Wise, and backs Eddie Davis, MacArthur Griffin, Chad Smith and Sam Denson. Tackled place-kicker Brian Steger is gone, with JC transfer Jay Rush slated to replace him. Two-year regular Jamie Dobay returns as the punter (37.9).

**REBELLION**  
Jeff Horton loves to throw the football, but in his first season as the Rebels' head coach after a move from Nevada, he may be throwing more out of necessity than love. Horton lost plenty off a team that was just 3-8 overall and 2-4 and tied for sixth in the Big West. He'll have to uncover a new starting quarterback, replace two four-year starters in his offensive line and find a fill-in for star receiver Demond Thompsons, who was failed by grade problems.

Junior Jason Davis, who had a good spring, should be the new quarterback with honors candidates Henry Bailey and Randy Gatewood leading a solid receiving corps. But there's a big question at running back, where junior Omar Love is coming off back surgery. JC transfer Tony Burton could provide a boost. Three line starters, seniors Howard McGowan and Mark Mecham and junior Robbie Morrison, return. They'll probably be joined by Mike Collins and sophomore Dennis Whitmore, with junior Randy Brewer likely at tight end.

Horton is worried about depth on a unit that ranked near the bottom nationally in total defense, scoring defense, and turnover margin. The line looks thin behind senior Keith Washington, honors candidate De-Shannon Campbell, and redshirt freshman Charles Fisher. Junior linebacker Rossie Johnson showed a lot of promise in the spring, and there is more speed in two-year starter Marvin Robinson, Britney Posey, Keith Clough, and Reese Thomas. The secondary is among the conference's best, with returning regulars Marvin Robinson, Jason Davis, and Rodney Mazon joined by redshirt sophomore Jermaine Webster. The kicking game is a plus, with punter Brad Faunce a third-team All-American, and place-kicker Nick Garritano.

**REVENGE**  
It wasn't the sort of return veteran coach John Ralston had hoped for when he went back to the college ranks last season. His

Spartans sank to a 2-9 overall record and 2-4 and a tie for sixth in the Big West. The defense, particularly, was weak giving up an average of 410 yards and 31 points per game. Ralston thinks that unit will be better but now there are offensive holes to fill, starting in the backfield where quarterback Jeff Garcia, tailback Nathan DjFree, and fullback John Mountain are gone.

Garcia's understudies Al Abrew and Brent Evans, are contesting transfer Carl Dean and redshirt Dan O'Dell, with senior Donald Lindsey (290 yards rushing) and Shon Ellerbe as the likely tailbacks and Charlie Adams, Tim Holliday, or Anthony Lewis at fullback. Returnees Brian Lundy and Jerry Reese and backup Jacob Williams should form a strong receiving corps but there are questions in the line, where the only holdovers are junior Chris Hill and senior Carlos Rivera. Salofia Tautuaa should open at one tackle, with redshirts Curtice Macfarlane, Albert Ocon, and Cory Jones and transfer John Grotegoed bidding for the other interior spots and maybe junior Brian Roche at tight end. Place-kicker Joe Nedney may replace Lee Myhre as the punter.

Defensively, the Spartans have all-Big West first-teamer Dan Godfrey (103 tackles) and Theron Miller at outside linebacker and sophomore Eric Quarles at end. Transfer David Ezey or returnee Keala Keanaaina should be at linebacker, with Howard Butler and Tony Gratton at tackle and maybe Greg Phillips at the other end. Transfer Johnny Harper is a major plus for a secondary that returns corners Dee Grayer and Maurice Simpson and safeties Chris Willis and Marcus Galbreath.

**BULLDOGS**  
If the Bulldogs are to make some progress after a 2-9 season that included just a 2-4 mark in the Big West, they'll need major improvement in both lines, according to coach Joe Raymond Peace, who says, "We have to control the line of scrimmage." Big transfer tackle Grant Williams should help the offensive front, which returns center Brad Bull, guards Chris Bock and Wes Brewer and tackle John Rogers, but tight end is unsettled. Steady senior Jason Cooper, who rushed for 590 yards, and sophomore quarterback Jason Martin, who passed for 1,218, return, along with top receiver Chad Mackey (50 catches for 564 yards). But there isn't much depth behind the workhorse Cooper or at wide receiver, where Brian Francis and Cliff Parks are gone.

Peace likes his linebacking corps and secondary. Senior Fred Price and juniors Lance Reed (129 tackles) and Shannon Jenkins, who has run a 4.47 40, could be the conference's best linebacking unit, and there is also plenty of experience in the backfield in senior corners Chris Gray and Rodney Bruce and rover Mark Taylor. Carlos Bolton and Kevin Crawford have departed the line, where Peace acknowledges he has problems. But he likes the potential of converted linebacker Keith Washington at end and speedy transfer Taurek Boyd, who may play with returning starters Steve Roberts and Thedrick Harris. The kicking game is in flux, too. First-team all-conference place-kicker Chris Boniol will be difficult to replace but sophomore Shane Barbaro had

a good spring. The punter likely will be JC All-American Jason Cain.

## INDIANS

The Indians finished just 2-8-1, but they closed the season with a last-second victory over defending Big West champion Nevada, a nice springboard into 1994. Some proven running backs and defensive linemen probably would help John Bobo's team more, however. All-conference Marquis Williams, a 1,000-yard rusher, is transferring and speedster Corey Walker, who figures to replace him is recovering from knee surgery. There's even more doubt in the defensive front, where recruiting didn't produce the desired results. All-Big West first-teamer Ed Rufus returns at middle guard, as does productive lineman Carlos Emmons, but the Tribe appears to have little to go with them.

If the Indians are to escape the Big West cellar (they were last with a 1-5 mark in 1993), they must improve their passing game. Quarterback John Covington improved as a sophomore, but he threw for just 1,069 yards. He'll be helped by veteran receivers Derrick Austin (22 catches for 309 yards) and Reginald Murphy (21 receptions) and by tight end Clark McBride. The line looks solid with seniors Lorenzo Parker and Stacy Harrell and juniors Jessie Miller and Anthony Bowman.

Marcus Lawson will be tough to replace at linebacker, but Bobo is hoping Eric Linsy, Torrance Suggs, and Dale Carpenter can fill the void. Three starters—seniors Brad Davis and Stacy Crockett and junior Clark Watkins—return in what should be a good secondary. And there's no problem in the kicking game with second team all-Big West Jeff Caldwell, who connected on 14 of 17 field goals, and workhorse punter Kyle Richardson both back.

## american west conference

### ***predictions***

- american west conference**
1. UC Davis
  2. Southern Utah
  3. Cal St. Sacramento
  4. Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo
  5. Cal St. Northridge

## UC DAVIS

Can a Division II team led by a new coach, join a new league of mostly AA opponents and succeed? If that team has from Davis, then the answer is yes! In his inaugural season in the new American West Conference, coach Bob Biggs guided the Aggies to a 10-2 mark and co-conference title and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division II playoffs before losing to Texas A&M-Kingsville 51-28. The Aggies may find this season more of a struggle with the loss of quarterback Khan Jones and All-American running back Preston Jackson, who he ped set 38 offensive records in '93.

Six starters return on defense led by linebacker Jason Haas, who led the team in tackles for the second straight year, and cornerback Dyrel Foster (5 interceptions). Biggs needs to find a quarterback to replace Jones, but has a few weapons left in

slotback Mike Ichiyama (5-5, 160) who had nine touchdowns and 57 receptions for 660 yards, and tight end Aaron Bennetts (6-5, 235), who caught 41 passes for 635 yards and seven TDs. Rusty Stivers steps in for Jackson in the backfield but the line returns only two starters guard Matt Eckman and tackle Gregg Ames

#### SOUTHERN UTAH

The Thunderbirds will bank on youthful experience to make the jump to respectability after a 3-7-1 record last fall. They made the most of their three triumphs, finishing at 3-1 in conference play. Back to lead the offense for the third year in a row is junior quarterback Rick Robins (124 of 243 passes for 1,859 yards and 10 TDs). He retains solid targets in wide receivers Shawn Jones, Marvin Lowe, and Kevin Culbertson, but replacements must be found in the backfield and at tight end.

Coach Jack Bishop's biggest task is retooling a defense which lost five all-conference performers. Linebacker Jared Hunsaker takes Chris Kruger, safety Joe Straw, and corners Randy Roskelley and John

#### NEW FOOTBALL CLEATS

The Mustangs return 16 starters, eight on each side of the ball for new coach Andre Patterson, who hopes to improve on last year's 6-4 finish (1-3 conference). Patterson had been the line coach at Washington State whose defense ranked No. 2 in the Pac-10 and No. 9 nationally. He expects no less from the Mustangs. "We have been very demanding in trying to get them bigger, faster, and stronger, and they have risen to the challenge," said Patterson. Quarterback Mike Fisher earned first team all-conference honors last year as he passed for 2,298 yards and 22 touchdowns. His principle target wide receiver Joe Wade (44-743-9), is back. Jacques Jordan, David Vialer and Ryan Steen form a solid backfield and Lee Johnson anchors the line. The defense returns linebacker Alex Garwood and lineman Buster Layton, who combined for 10 sacks and 100 tackles. The secondary is experienced with A. Dee Williams (3 interceptions) and Chris Henry. Replacements are needed for both kickers.

**THE MATADORS**

The Matadors look to move up in the standings after posting a 1-3 (fourth place) conference mark and 4-6 overall record in '93. Bob Burt returns 12 starters, including standout quarterback J.J. O'Laughlin and wide receiver Duc Ngo. O'Laughlin, a transfer from the University of Illinois, joined the Matadors last fall and completed 99 of 214 passes for 1,181 yards and nine TDs in seven games. Ngo, born in Vietnam, has led the Matadors in receptions for the past two seasons. Mark Harper, who replaces departed back Robert Trice, should see plenty of daylight behind a veteran line: Ed Babayova, who has moved from guard to tackle opposite Jeff Duke, guards Jon Beauregard and Omar Uresti, and center Trevor Watters.

The defense will have to be rebuilt, having lost seven regulars, including the AWC's Defensive Player of the Year, Angel Chavez. Linemen Oscar Wilson and Tim Gardner looked impressive in spring drills, and Burt expects contributions from linebackers Tony Simon and Andre Madrid. Vinny Johnson anchors the secondary.

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**THE GAEELS**

The Gaels finished last season at 6-3-1, their seventh consecutive winning record. With 10 starters returning, they should keep their streak alive. Quarterback Cree Morris is gone, but Coey Connolly proved more than an adequate backup, completing 54 percent of his passes for seven TDs and only one interception. As a redshirt freshman, wideout Blake Tuffi was tough on opposing secondaries, catching 61 passes for 929 yards and seven touchdowns. Backfield mates Mike Jones and Bonner Cummings combined for 1,047 yards and 10 touchdowns. Senior linebacker Peter Baichtal led the team with 101 stops. Eddie Ford and Lavelle Townsend return in the secondary and Domingo Ruiz, George Petrissans, and Ryan Wolff in the line. Place-kicker Mike Estrelas, the Gaels' all-time scoring leader, and punter Brad Lepke will have to be replaced.



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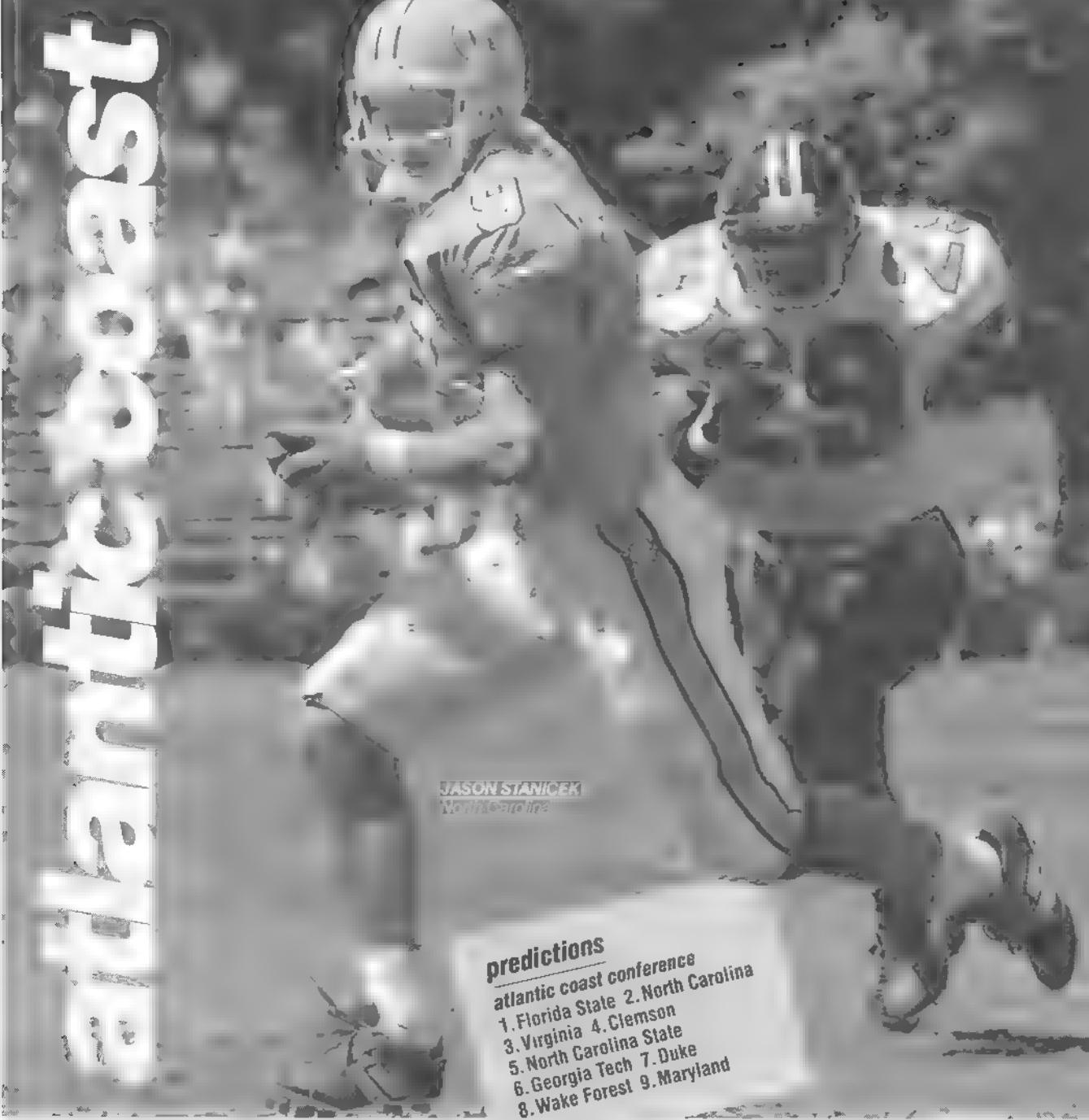
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#### CAL STATE BACONVILLE

The Hornets appear to be a mystery in '94, as coach Mike Clemons hopes to work his magic on a squad that returns only three regulars on offense and two on defense. All-conference inside linebacker Greg Johnson and cornerback Judd Fleming anchor the defense. Johnson, the returning tackle leader, is considered one of the best in Division I-AA. Fleming, who took over when Reggie Claude was injured, finished the season with four interceptions and earned all-league honorable mention honors. Clemons will switch to a 3-4 alignment this fall.

On offense only three starters are back: tackles Jason Bannan and Joe Lozano and kicker Tyson Becker. Jason Van de Poel, Brian Daubin, and Joe Garofalo will compete at quarterback. Wide receiver Jerome Hollie bounced back from a broken wrist to catch 21 passes in six games for 319 yards and two touchdowns.



JASON STANICEK  
Montgomery

### **predictions**

- atlantic coast conference  
1. Florida State 2. North Carolina  
3. Virginia 4. Clemson  
5. North Carolina State  
6. Georgia Tech 7. Duke  
8. Wake Forest 9. Maryland

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FLORIDA STATE

The Seminoles finally reeled in the big one—the national championship—and coach Bobby Bowden does not automatically dismiss talk of a repeat. But a *Sports Illustrated* report alleges that at least seven players had been guilty of NCAA rules violations put a stain on the '93 accomplishments and left the program under a cloud. Should the allegations become fact and the scandal spread, the impact could be significant if not, the Seminoles will rank among the nation's best again, even though Heisman winner Charlie Ward is among the missing.

Bowden says he will wait until fall practice to anoint Ward's successor. But the odds are that Danny Kanell will be the guy. He came out of spring practice atop the depth chart, and he is the only quarterback candidate to start for Florida State. He has completed 45 of his 69 passes (65.2 percent) for 634 yards, eight touchdowns, and no interceptions. He completed 28 of 38 for 341 yards and five TDs in his only start, a 49-20 romp over Maryland. "He played almost a flawless game," Bowden admitted.

No matter whether Kanell, Jon Stark, or Thad Busby wins the job, he will work behind one of FSU's finest offensive lines. Six of the top seven linemen—four starters and two part-time starters—return, and only one is a senior. Center Clay Shiver, an all-ACC choice, is the best of the bunch. He calls the blocking assignments and allowed only

one-half sack in more than 700 plays last season. Patrick McNeil and Lewis Tyre are back at guard and Juan Laureano, Forrest Conoly, and Jesus Hernandez share the tackle positions. Warrick Dunn is the lone tailback returning, but his credentials are spectacular. He scored 10 touchdowns, four rushing and six on receptions. Except for Kez McCorvey, the receivers are relatively inexperienced. But McCorvey could be enough by himself. He caught 74 passes for 966 yards and six TDs last fall.

Opponents who are counting on the Seminoles' defense to be less effective this season will be disappointed. In fact, the unit could be stronger than ever, and last year's led the nation in scoring defense. Outside linebacker Derrick Brooks ranks among the nation's best and had personally outscored the opposition, 18-14, after five games. Todd Rebol starts on the other side, and the linebacking corps received rave reviews.

from Bowden. "They should be outstanding," he said. End Derrick Alexander earned All-America honors in '93, and James Roberson returns on the other side. Clifton Abraham will start for the third year at cornerback, and he, too, is a leading all-star candidate.

The Seminoles won't start the season again in the Kickoff Classic, but the rest of the schedule is the same as it was a year ago against the eight ACC foes, plus Florida, Miami, and Notre Dame. The results might be the same too. "The ACC will be much stronger," Bowden claimed. "We will have to play at our highest level to defend the national championship [But] if this team will keep the same work habits and can stay healthy, we'll be right there again."

#### NORTH CAROLINA

With 14 starters from a 10-3 bowl team among the missing, the Tar Heels might be expected to enter a plea of poverty. Instead, they dare to dream of having another nationally ranked powerhouse Sound far-fetched? Maybe. But coach Mack Brown's arsenal is not empty, and he has developed his program to the stage where he now rebuilds rather than reloads. Expecting the Tar Heels to thrive goes against one of football's most sacred truths. Beware of the team without a proven offensive line. Indeed, the starting front in Chapel Hill will be almost completely new. "Last year we leaned heavily on our linemen, quarterbacks, and wide receivers early while our young tailbacks were developing," Brown said. "A lot of that responsibility will be switched around."

Senior quarterback Jason Stanicsek and tailbacks Curtis Johnson and Leon Johnson are capable of shouldering the burden. Stanicsek is rewriting the UNC record book. Yes, barring injury, he should erase Charlie (Choo Choo) Justice's unbreakable total-offense mark. He is six yards shy of 4,000 and would have been the ACC Player of the Year if not for a guy named Charlie Ward at Florida State. Stanicsek completed 64 percent of his passes for 1,878 yards and 12 touchdowns to move to No. 2 on the school's chart for career completions and passing yardage. Curtis Johnson, a 5-10, 208-pound junior with sprinter's speed, rushed for 1,034 yards, scored 12 TDs, and won all-ACC honors. Fellow tailback Leon Johnson (6-1 and 210) ran for 1,012 yards, scored 16 TDs, caught 29 passes for another 233 yards, and took home the conference's Freshman of the Year honors.

Macolm Marshall and William Henderson who split time at fullback, return. But junior center Pat Connealy (6-5, 250) is the only regular back on the line that this fall will include guard Russell Babb (6-4, 285) and tackles Byron Thomas (6-4, 300) and Roger Purgason (6-5, 285). Greg DeLong, injured in the fifth game last season, and Freddie Johns, his replacement, are back at tight end. Juniors Marcus Wall and Gray Bovender lead the cast of candidates to replace all-star wide receivers Corey Holliday, UNC's career reception leader (155), and big-play threat Bucky Brooks.

Eight starters are missing from the defense that ranked second in the ACC and 21st nationally. But tackle Marcus Jones, whom Brown claims can be as good as any

in the country at his position, helps ease the losses. Jones (6-6, 260) had 8½ sacks, third on UNC's single-season list behind Lawrence Taylor's 16 and William Fuller's nine. Guard Riddick Parker and tackle Greg Black join Jones in the line. The strength of the unit should be at inside linebacker with Kerry Mock, Eddie Mason, and Mike Morton. Oscar Sturgis, a former tight end, and James Hamilton bring experience to outside linebacker; corner Jimmy Hitchcock and strong safety Sean Boyd head the secondary.

The Tar Heels lost only to Florida State, Virginia, and Alabama en route to their sparkling 1993 record. Along the way they settled some scores, particularly with Clemson (24-0) and North Carolina State (35-14). Despite their personnel losses, they remain a top 15 team, and their dreams for another outstanding season could well come true.

#### VIRGINIA

The bad old days of Virginia football are long gone, and 1994 could be spectacular if coach George Welsh can rebuild his offensive line. The Cavaliers return 13 starters from a 7-5 bowl team, and among them are a dead-eye quarterback, a record-breaking linebacker, and a posse of regulars from a defensive unit that led the nation in interceptions.

Junior quarterback Symmion Williams set a school record with 2,347 yards passing in 1993 and the Cavaliers figure the best is yet to come. He completed 59.8 percent and threw for 19 TDs with 14 interceptions. On 63 percent of his completions he threw for a first down or a touchdown. Williams will have familiar targets: junior Pete Allen, a two-year starter, and senior Tyrone Davis, who



KEZ MCCORVEY Florida State

caught six TD passes last fall and has a 22.5-yard per-catch career average. Junior Patrick Jeffers caught 32 passes and scored six TDs in '93. Tailback Kevin Brooks, the No. 2 rusher a year ago (538 yards), teams with Charles Way. Way scored seven times and led all ACC fullbacks with 468 yards, including 136 (and three TDs) in a 43-29 triumph over Maryland.

The Cavaliers struck quickly and made the most of their opportunities. Only seven of their 40 touchdown drives required more than 10 plays, and they scored 26 of the 30

times they had a first down inside the opponents' 20-yard line. That 86.7 efficiency included 22 TDs and four field goals. To maintain that enviable percentage, the Cavaliers need to replace three all-ACC players in the offensive line. Center Bryan Heath and tackle John Slocum are veteran starters, and junior tackle Chris Harrison returns after suffering a preseason injury. Guard Jeremy Ray and tackles Jason Augustino and Greg Powell compete for starting jobs.

"Replacing [safety] Keith Lyle and cornerback George McClellan is a key for us," Welsh said. "More teams are throwing the football, and there's more pressure on the deep people. I think our front seven should be pretty good. Again with us, as it has been for the last couple of years, it's a question of depth." Cornerback Carl Smith and part-time starter Joe Crocker are the new leaders in the secondary. The line returns second-team all-ACC end Mike Frederick, the team's defensive MVP whose 74 tackles included 11 sacks and 21 for losses, and tackles Mark Krichbaum and Ryan Kuehl. Randy Neal and Jamie Sharper are proven linebackers. Neal took part in a school-record 139 tackles last fall and broke up seven passes and intercepted two. Sharper won freshman All-America honors after making 99 tackles and intercepting two passes. Skeet Jones and James Farrior will compete



DERRICK BROOKS Florida State

for the spot vacated by Tom Burns. Punter Will Brice (42.2-yard average) and placekicker Kyle Kirkeide return.

Once one of the softest touches in college football, the Cavaliers have won at least seven games for seven straight seasons. How many other teams have done that in the ACC? Only one, Maryland, which put together an eight-year streak from 1973-80. Virginia should equal that mark this fall.

#### CLEMSON

Most schools would be pleased with an 8-3 bowl team. Clemson wanted more, and the Tigers ran off coach Ken Hatfield, his 32-13-1 record and three bowl teams in four seasons notwithstanding. His biggest shortcoming? He could not replace Danny Ford. Former Clemson aide Tommy West, takes command, and he has ties to the Ford era. His bubbly personality quickly won over dis-

grunted fans who could not identify with Hatfield.

Whether West matches Hatfield's field success remains to be seen, but his first game got his reign started in the right direction. Indeed, Clemson's 14-13 victory over Kentucky in the Peach Bowl with West at the helm resembled the Tigers under Hatfield. Somewhat, somehow, the offense got enough points. The offense, however, sputtered all season, and the Tigers must get more consistent play from quarterback Patrick Sapp and the line to challenge in the conference race. Seven of the top 10 linemen who paved the way for a paltry 311 yards per game are gone.

"Our offensive line might be the all-time rebuilding challenge," West said. Guard Will Young, tackle Robert Jackson, and tight end Stephon Wynn are veterans, but experience is otherwise scarce. Sapp shared time at quarterback with the oft-injured Louis Solomon and Dexter McCleon, who moved from cornerback and led the Tigers to victories over Virginia and South Carolina to complete the regular season. McCleon, however, played baseball in the spring and will be on defense this fall. Sapp passed for 1,084 yards and four touchdowns in 10 games. However, he protected the ball, throwing only four interceptions. Maybe the '93 offense's claim to fame will be protecting the ball. The Tigers committed only 19 turnovers (10 interceptions, 9 lost fumbles), and the defense forced 30. Fullback Emory Smith, the brother of Cowboys star Emmitt Smith, is the top returning rusher, but the Tigers must replace all-time leading receiver Terry Smith and find a tailback. Place-kicker Nelson Welch, who needs 50 points to become the school's career leader, is back.

To win nine games with an offense that scores fewer than 20 points in seven games, the defense must be good. Clemson's was and is. The Tigers permitted only 192 points (57 in the debacle against Florida State) and ranked 15th in scoring defense. "We have the core of a tremendous defense returning," West said in surveying the unit that returns 10 starters. Brenton Buckner is the only player of consequence missing, but he'll be replaced by Wayne Forney, third in tackles in 1992 and out most of last fall with an injury. Carlos Curry, LaMarick Simpson, and Marvin Cross join him in a proven line. Inside linebacker Tim Jones, who could become the first player to lead Clemson in tackles for three straight seasons, saved a 20-14 win over N.C. State by knocking down passes at the goal line on the final two plays of the game. Michael Barber returns at the other inside spot and Wardell Rouse on the outside. Strong safety Brian Dawkins and three-sport star Andre Humphrey at corner have starting experience.

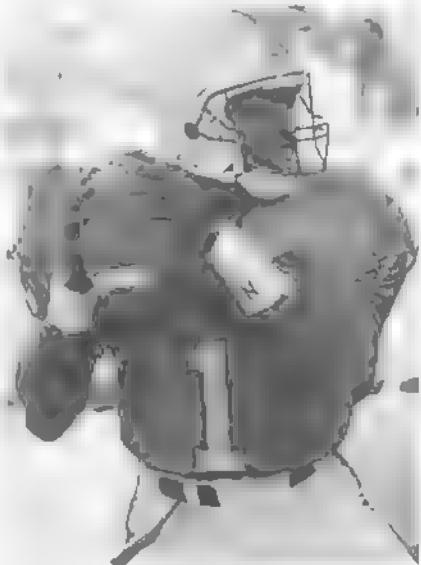
"If we can get our offense to improve to the levels of our defense, we will really have something," West said. He would have a championship contender. Until then, though, the Tigers will be looking up and remember where they used to be.

#### NORTH CAROLINA STATE

The Wolfpack's play in 1993 can be described in one word: inconsistent. The team could play so well, and it could play so poorly. Sometimes the contrasts went from one

play to the next. In the end, the Wolfpack forged a 7-5 record, which was not bad, except for how the season ended: a 62-3 lashing from Florida State and a 42-7 embarrassment against Michigan in the Hall of Fame Bowl.

The problems—or at least the unrest—began in midsummer. Coach Dick Sheridan shocked the football world by resigning five weeks prior to fall practice. He cited health reasons for his decision and almost literally disappeared from public view. Mike O'Cain, the offensive coordinator, became head coach and saw his chances for a big season disappear in a sea of injuries that decimated



**SYMMION WILLIS** Virginia

his defensive front. But the Wolfpack demonstrated a remarkable ability to rescue lost causes, winning four times by scoring at least two fourth-quarter touchdowns. And it barely fell short of erasing 20- and 21-point deficits with frantic finishes. "I will always hold last year's team up as an example of what a never-say-die attitude is all about," O'Cain said.

State lost its leading rusher, top fullback, and tight end for the second straight year. Unlike most other first-division challengers in the ACC, though, the Wolfpack is blessed with a nucleus along the offensive line which yielded just 14 sacks last season. Guards Chris Hennie-Roed and Steve Keim and twin tackles Scott and Heath Woods return to anchor the unit. The top offensive weapon is all-star wide receiver Eddie Goines, who likely will rewrite the school record book this fall. He led the league with 10 touchdown catches and a 19.3-yard average last year. Delivering the ball will be quarterbacks Terry Harvey and Geoff Bender, each with more than 2,000 career passing yards. Harvey started the last seven games, completing 55.7 percent for 1,837 yards and 14 TDs with eight interceptions. He became Mr. Excitement, repeatedly engineering the Wolfpack's last-gasp rallies. Bender, who started the first five games, came off the bench with State down 21-0 to Duke and brought the Wolfpack to within a point before his two-point conversion pass for the victory fell incomplete. Junior Brian Fitzgerald and sophomore Kevin Mater will battle

for the tailback job. Rod Brown is the heir-apparent at fullback. Kicker Steve Videtic is an asset.

The Wolfpack's defensive unit kept the medical staff busy in 1993. The starting tackles played a total of four games and five other linemen underwent surgery. Thus, State's primary wish is for good health. But depth could be a problem. "Establishing some experience with our young people is a priority," said O'Cain. Inside linebacker Damien Covington took part in 133 tackles last season, including 21 against Clemson. Tackle Carl Reeves missed seven games after breaking his leg in the final preseason scrimmage, but he figures prominently in the new plans. Although small (227 pounds) for his position, he has 16½ sacks and 128 tackles in 26 games. Outside linebacker Eddie Galon, cornerback William Strong, and free safety James Walker are solid.

If nothing else, expect more stability from the Wolfpack this fall. And that could translate into more victories.

#### TECHNICAL

The Yellow Jackets experienced one of those feast-or-famine seasons in 1993, either winning big or losing big en route to their second straight 5-6 finish. They like to point out that a couple of narrow losses (16-13 to Clemson and 28-23 to N.C. State) separated them from a 7-4 mark and a bowl bid. But does a team on the wrong end of 35-14, 51-0, 41-3, and 43-10 scores merit bow consideration? Coach Bill Lewis hopes a shakeup of the coaching staff and an attitude adjustment are Tech's keys to improvement. More consistency would obviously help. The defense particularly needs attention, for it surrendered 26 points per game.

Quarterback Donnie Davis, who completed 58 percent of his passes for 1,739 yards and 12 TDs, underwent surgery twice and missed spring practice. Davis must be healthy by the start of fall drills or the Yellow Jackets' problems will be compounded. Already missing from the unit that averaged 23.6 points per game and just under 400 yards are tailbacks Dorsey Levens and William Bell and starting fullback Jeff Wright. Derrick Steagall, the H-back (slot receiver), has blazing speed and provides a threat both receiving and on kickoff returns. Omar Cassidy and Charlie Simmons are solid at split end and only one starter is missing from the line that features guard Brian Bravy and center Mike Cheever. Lewis hired Gary Crowley to work with the quarterbacks and share the offensive-coordinator duties.

More acclaimed is the return of defensive coordinator George O'Leary from the San Diego Chargers. He had guided Tech's nationally ranked defenses under Bobby Ross, but he inherits a unit that was 78th in total defense and 81st against the pass last season. O'Leary will build around inside linebacker Jamal Cox, who led the team with 111 tackles. He could be one of the nation's best this year. Alongside him is three-year regular Rodney Wilkerson. The line needs a major overhaul because, according to Lewis, "defense starts with the ability to control the line of scrimmage," which Tech did not do. The effectiveness of the secondary is a sore spot as well. Lewis wants to see more aggressiveness create more turnovers.

## DUKE

Fred Goldsmith worked miracles at Rice, guiding the Owls to consecutive winning seasons for the first time in 32 years. Now he is being challenged to do the same at Duke. At Rice, he took over a team that had lost 18 straight games. His challenge should be easier at his new job, where the 12 returning starters include the top three rushers, both quarterbacks, the best pass rusher, and three of the top four tacklers from the 1993 squad that with a little luck, might have finished 5-6 rather than 3-8. Improved physical condition ranked atop Goldsmith's list of spring priorities. Instilling pride and the intensity of playing for success followed. The idea, he says, is to emphasize "the things we can control."

The Blue Devils' attack will be built around quarterback Spence Fischer who threw for 2,563 yards a year ago, and a veteran line led by center Jeroen Egge and tackle Matt Williams. Tailback David Lowman (439 yards rushing) is healthy after knee surgery, and fullback Robert Baldwin (332 yards) ranks among the league's best blockers. Wide receivers Jon Jensen and Steve Spurrier and tight end John Farquhar are the tar-

get. experience, but James Kirkland proved himself with seven sacks last season. Senior David Hawkins and freshman Johannes Brugger give the Blue Devils increased speed at linebacker.

Goldsmith uses a coach's adage in looking ahead to the 1994 season. "You have to take one game at a time," he said. And looking at that first game, he can breathe a sigh of relief. Rather than Florida State, the opening foe for the past two years, Duke plays Maryland. Overall, the schedule is favorable. The Blue Devils play their first three games at home and do not encounter any real heavyweights until late in the year.

JIM CALDWELL begins his second season at Wake Forest with one immediate goal. "We simply need to be a more physical football team if we are to be successful," said Caldwell, who learned the value of toughness during seven seasons on the staff at Penn State. The goals certainly include more than the two victories mustered in 1993—one of which was Wake's first over Clemson in Death Valley since 1981. Caldwell believes familiarity will help take care of that. "This time last year, we were introducing a new system and new terminology," he said.

Thirteen starters, including eight on defense, return, but some will move to different positions and some will face more competition for playing time. The defense will center around linebacker Kevin Giles, the team's leading tackler in 1992-93. Tucker Grace, the No. 2 tackler, who missed spring drills after shoulder surgery, fills the other linebacker spot. His absence in the spring allowed Mike Neubauer to step forward and earn the team award for effort and improvement. Sophomore Tom Stuetzer, who had four interceptions, leads a deep secondary. Brent Morehead and Richard Goodpasture started last fall, but sophomores Major Griffey and Terrence Suber are challenging. Jimmy Quander moved from linebacker to end, displacing Harold Gragg. Maurice Gravely takes Quander's linebacker spot. Meanwhile, former end Semmaja Taylor moves inside to tackle.

Eight of the top 10 linemen return to anchor the offense. Junior Elton Ndoma-Ogar and senior Eddie McKeel both will be starting for the third season, and three sophomores—Tony Yarnail, Doug Marsigli, and Bill Leeder—will hold the other spots. Rusty LaRue, who started five games a year ago, gets the call at quarterback, and he will be working with solid receivers in Roger Pettus, Rhett Blanchard, and Dan Balou. But the Deacons must replace tailback John Leach, who set a single-game ACC record with 329 yards rushing against Maryland en route to leading the league in rushing. Sophomore John Lewis and senior Jeremiah Williams are the likely replacements.

## MARYLAND

The Terps have rewritten the record book in two seasons under coach Mark Duffner. But they have won not won many games, nor are they likely to until the defense shows significant improvement. The Terps surrendered 479 points, an average of 43.6 per game, in stumbling to a 2-9 record. They held only Duke to fewer than 28 points and yielded 49

or more on four occasions. Opponents averaged 317 yards rushing and 553 yards in total offense per game.

On the positive side, one wide receiver, one outside linebacker, and the tailback are the only spots without a returning regular. And the Terps racked up yards in wholesale lots behind quarterback Scott Mianovich, who completed 279 of 431 passes (64.7 percent) for 3,499 yards and 26 TDs (and 18 interceptions) last fall. He led the conference in just about every category and earned third-team all-ACC honors. He also made first-team all-ACC in punting. Receivers abound. Jerome Lewis, who missed three games with an injury, did not play enough games to be listed in the league statistics. Nevertheless, he led the ACC in receiving yards (957) and average yards per catch (18.4). He scored seven touchdowns, three against West Virginia. "Even though we've gained a lot of yards, some new wrinkles would make us even more unpredictable," Duffner said in examining his run-and-shoot offense that has set 46 school records. Senior Allen Williams, who started for Mark Mason and gained 242 yards in the last three games, is the likely tailback. Duffner rates tackle Steve Ingram as the team's best player.

The defensive woes of '93 can be blamed on inexperience. The Terps played far too many true freshmen to be competitive, and experience should make them better this fall. Ratcliff Thomas, a true freshman, led the team in tackles and ranked among the league leaders.

## Independent

### MISSOURI

East Carolina, the only I-A independent in the Atlantic Coast area, will always dream of a season to match the glorious 11-1 record in 1991. But until the defense—picked apart the past two seasons—improves significantly, the Pirates will suffer. They used a high-powered offense to offset their defensive deficiencies in going 5-6 in 1992. But the offense joined the defense in the doldrums last season, and a 2-9 record was the result. Turnovers (East Carolina finished minus-13) played a huge role. Thirteen starters, led by all-star running back Junior Smith return and coach Steve Logan expects significant improvement. Eight true freshmen played last season and six started—numbers that mean a rebuilding project is in progress. The experienced gained should be a plus. Statistically, the Pirates return 100 percent of their passing yards, 98 percent of their rushing yards, 52 percent of their receiving yards and 61 percent of their tackles.

Smith, 5-6 and 174 pounds ran for 123 yards per game to rank sixth nationally a year ago. He is the No. 2 rusher returning this season. Look for him to add to his lengthy list of school records. Improved production at quarterback would help. The Pirates threw 23 interceptions last season. Marcus Crandell, who suffered a broken leg in the second game, returns. Perez Mattison, one of the true freshmen, started the final six games and suffered from the lack of experience, with 16 interceptions.

The Pirates surrendered 30 points a game in 1993, holding only two rivals to fewer than 24 points. Although playing only nine

## TIM JONES Clemson

gets. The line permitted only 21 sacks on 478 pass plays last fall and should be better with more experience. Williams earned team MVP honors a year ago and joins Egge, Clarence Collins, Geoff Smith and Jon Merrill in leading the unit.

Defense however, is another story. Four starters are back from the group that allowed 32 points per game. Goldsmith hopes to take big plays away from opponents and "make the other team go the hard way" to score. Three of the veteran starters are in the secondary. Free safety Ray Farmer had 68 tackles and three interceptions; Tee Edwards returns at strong safety and Zaid Abdul-Aleem at cornerback. Tackle Mike Stalmyer is the only lineman with starting

games, junior linebacker Mark Libano led the team with 114 tackles. Strong safety Daren Hart set a freshman school record with 97 tackles and linebacker Morris Foreman part cipated on 71 stops before a broken thumb sidelined him for the final three games. The return of tackle Walter Scott, who missed all of the '93 season with a knee injury, should strengthen the line.

### atlantic i-aa independents

#### ***predictions***

##### ***atlantic i-aa independents***

1. Liberty
2. Towson State
3. Charleston Southern
4. Davidson

The Atlantic Coast area's independents are gone with the wind, and those remaining coval conference affiliation on A couple of transfers to join 14 regulars from a 6-5 team are reasons for smiles from Liberty coach Sam Rutigliano. After breaking or tying 46 school records in a 7-2 season, Towson State has an impossible act to follow. Charleston Southern hopes that its first spring football practice and its first class of senior players translate into improvement on a 3-8 record. Davidson competes in I-AA in name only. The Wildcats are a cost-containment program (translation: no scholarships) and will play all Division III foes.

J.T. Morris, a hometown product who started his college career at Penn State, returns to Lynchburg, VA, and Liberty University and coach Sam Rutigliano could not be happier. Morris, who rushed for more than 4,000 yards in high school, provides a dimension that other Division I-AA teams simply do not have. He is 5-11, weighs 221 pounds, and will be the featured back in the one-back attack. He joins 14 starters from a 6-5 team and should take the pressure off quarterback Antwan Chiles, a Florida transfer who passed for 1,487 yards and nine touchdowns in 10 games (four starts) last season. Chiles will work with a new set of receivers, including the heralded Courtney Freeman, Jeffy Scranton, another transfer from Florida, is a plus on the line, which will be coached by former all-pro Joe DeLamielleure.

Free safety Marcus Leggett is the top returning tackler and joins end Damon Bomar (6 sacks) and tackle Manson Clark in heading the defense. The big question mark is the secondary, which intercepted only five passes last season.

### TOWSON STATE

The Tigers must rebuild both lines in their third season under coach Gordy Combs, who lost 13 regulars from the record-setting 1993 club. "Once we find the starters, it will be just as important to determine backups," Combs said. "We don't have the depth we had last year."

Neither do the Tigers have All-America tailback Tony Vinson, who set 15 school and 11 Division I-AA records during his career. He captured the I-AA version of the triple

crown, leading the nation in rushing (201.6 yards per game), all-purpose yards (207.3) and scoring (14.4). He posted I-AA single-season (2,016) and single-game (364 vs. Bucknell) rushing yardage records. The offensive line, which paved the way for Vinson and permitted just five sacks on 223 pass plays, returns one regular senior Alan Brown. Eric Peterson saw considerable playing time and will move in at tackle. Quarterback Dan Crowley is back for his fourth season as the starter. He should own every school passing mark by season's end. He threw for 1,882 yards and 23 TDs with only four interceptions last fall.

The defense will be smaller but quicker, "and that should help us be more aggressive," Combs said. The linebacker and secondary spots are well-stocked. Mike Arbutina, the leading tackler for two years, and Warren Lewis start at inside linebacker, and Marco Calise and John Bardak will take care of the outside spots. Scott Tull and Dan Nata, both former starters at linebacker, are moving to the line. Free safety Don Zimmerman and cornerback Marcellus Campbell anchor a strong secondary. Dedin Witherpoon, who missed last year with a knee injury, likely will start at strong safety and Chad Scott at the other cornerback.

### CHARLESTON SOUTHERN

This will be the Buccaneers' fourth season, and experience should make them better. But they will not be good enough to compete successfully in Division I-AA. Their three victories last season came against NAIA foes—all by slim margins—and they suffered some one-sided lashings from I-AA rivals.

Protecting the football is a priority. The Bucs lost 24 fumbles a year ago. Tailback D'Angelo Dereef rushed for 550 yards, caught 19 passes for 160 yards, scored five TDs, and led the team in punt and kickoff returns. He finished seventh in I-AA in all-purpose yards. Fullback Chris Oliver is experienced. Senior J.J. Brinkerhoff and sophomore Mike Young are expected to duel for the quarterback spot. Tackles Jack Weiss and Clay Moose head the offensive line.

Tackle Dennis Hamilton, the team MVP, heads the defense. Although the secondary is experienced, the lack of speed is a problem. The linebacking corps is unsettled.

The Wildcats play I-AA football in name only and only to satisfy membership requirements for the Southern Conference. In fact, the school gives no financial aid for football and plays Division II foes. Coach Tim Landis, at 28 one of the youngest head coaches in the nation, begins his second season at the helm with 14 starters among 41 lettermen. He expects the Wildcats to match last season's 6-4 record. Defense should be the team's strength, with nine regulars returning. Linebacker Chris Leak and lineman Mills Anail head the cast. Kevin Holzworth, an off-and-on starter during his career, gets the nod at quarterback. Fullback Bruce Bannister is a threat as a runner and receiver.

Among innovations this season are the first home night game at Richardson Field (October 1 vs. Guilford) and a season-ending game against the University of the South in Bermuda.

### southern conference

#### ***predictions***

##### ***southern conference***

1. Marshall
2. Georgia Southern
3. Western Carolina
4. East Tennessee State
5. Appalachian State
6. The Citadel
7. Furman
8. UT-Chattanooga
9. VMI

Should we bother to play this 1994 Division I-AA football season, or should we simply skip to the national championship game and invite Marshall and Youngstown State? These guys show up every year, Marshall waving the banner of the Southern Conference and Youngstown State insisting that independents do it better. For the past three seasons, the two schools have met in the title game, with Youngstown State winning, 25-17, in 1991, Marshall taking a 32-28 decision in '92, and Youngstown State quieting the Thundering Herd, 17-5, last year.

Is it Marshall's turn again? Maybe. And the Herd feels so good about its chances that it is hosting the title game for the third straight year. But if Marshall stumbles someone else from the SC may replace it in that final game. Almost every team in I-AA's finest league is thinking such thoughts, perhaps because SC teams have participated in seven of the division's 12 national championship games. And seven of the league's nine football-playing members (Davidson plays in Division III) have earned playoff bids since the division was established.

The Southern features three new coaches. Jimmy Satterfield stepped down at Furman and was replaced by defensive whiz Bobby Johnson. Tommy West stayed at UT-Chattanooga for just one season before answering Clemson's call. He'll be replaced by Buddy Green. And VMI cracked Jim Shuck and called in Bill Stewart. They'll each get an eyeful. Last season, the SC finished with just two nationally ranked teams: newcomer Georgia Southern at No. 2 and Marshall at No. 9. Expect at least four members to be ranked for most of this season. There's just so much talent on hand. Five teams return at least 14 starters. All nine return at least 11.

(11-4, 6-2) Other SC teams have more starters returning, but with the Thundering Herd, it's important to note who is among the 12 starters back from 1993's national runner-up. Start with tailback and conference player of the year Chris Parker, who rushed for a school-record 1,750 yards and contributed 24 touchdowns. But don't stop there. Back at the controls of coach Jim Donnan's high-powered offense is senior quarterback Todd Donnan, and he's not playing because he's the coach's son. Todd completed 211 of 372 passes for 2,591 yards and 13 TDs, heading a unit that averaged 350.6 yards per game and led the SC in scoring with a 27.6 mark. Donnan can throw to a batch of talented receivers, including junior Ricky Carter (69 catches). The major blow is the loss of Chris

Deaton, an All-American who won the SC's Jacobs Blocking Trophy.

Marshall led the league in defense, both total (303 yards) and scoring (13.7 points), but lost all three linebackers. The line will be strong again, and the secondary would have returned complete but for an offseason, career-ending injury to cornerback Tuan Reynolds. All-conference safety Roger Johnson is back, though.

Expect all that material, spurred by coach Donnan's fiery competitiveness to produce an SC title this fall. And maybe even something a little bigger.

#### GEORGIA SOUTHERN

(10-3, 7-1) The rest of the Southern Conference used to save a special dislike for Georgia Southern. While the league was obviously I-AA's most dominant, it always seemed the Eagles were preventing the SC from proving it. Three times since the division's



ROGER JOHNSON Marshall

playoffs began in 1982, Georgia Southern knocked an SC member out of them. That included a 44-42 victory over Furman in the 1985 championship game. But the Eagles have joined the family, and last season began SC play. It proved a bit like Florida State's move to the ACC, although not on quite so dominant a scale. Georgia Southern won the SC's automatic playoff bid and lost to eventual champ Youngstown State in the quarterfinals.

The Eagles might fly higher this time. Coach Tim Stowers returns eight starters from a ball-control unit that rushed for 255.3 yards per game. The line, anchored by senior All-American center Franklin Stephens, is what makes the 'bone flex. Setting up behind that wall will be the Eagles' interchangeable senior quarterbacks. Joe Dupree is listed as No. 1 going into the fall, but Charles Bostick has started 12 games himself over the past two seasons. The running game features seniors Chris Wright and Shafton Fraley. If Stowers decides to throw more, everyone might find out about secret weapon Dexter Dawson, a split end whose 19 catches were good for 361 yards in '93.

The defense lost six starters, but two-time All-American lineman Alex Mash (good foot-

ball name) will be most missed. In his absence, the keys will be linebacker Paul Carroll, strong safety Rob Stockton, and free safety Alton Hitson (another good name).

#### WESTERN

(6-5, 5-3) The Catawba are contenders again, thanks to coach Steve Hodgin's brick-by-brick rebuilding program that has now produced back-to-back winning seasons. How far they go depends in large part on quarterback Chad Greene. With all-SC Lonnie Galloway running Western's offense (411 yards per game) last fall, Greene was redshirted. Now he is needed. If he plays well, the Catawba should challenge for first. If he doesn't, Western could slide into the second division of this competitive league. Eight offensive starters return, including four on a line that features all-conference center Wes Greenwell. Lining up next to them will be All-American wide receiver Kerry Hayes, a human cannonball who is I-AA's career leader in kick-return TDs (7). Hayes caught 35 passes for 679 yards last season, while Craig Aiken grabbed 37 for 719. Fullback Harold Hines (415 yards) heads a group of five experienced backs.

Defensively, Western isn't as stable, with only five starters back. The core of returnees is built around inside linebacker Tom Bodine, already the school's all-time leading tackler (347), and senior classmates Kenny Banks, who played outside last year but moves back inside this fall, and outside backer Aaron Lucas. Graduation ravaged the line and the secondary, so Hodgin is doing a bit of juggling. A key move has senior Herb Streeter shifted to strong safety after a solid season at cornerback.

#### EAST TENNESSEE

(5-6, 3-5) Surprise! Look who's suddenly among the pretenders to the SC throne. The Buccaneers have been smartly rebuilt in just two seasons by third-year coach Mike Cavan and now appear primed to bid for their first I-AA playoff berth. Cavan has more returning starters (17) than anyone in the league, and there's quality as well as quantity. Start with all-SC senior wide receiver Jeff Johnson (69 catches for 915 yards and 11 TDs), who could move up to All-American this year. Chris Beatty will go deep on the other side, while Jeremy Anderson holds down tight end. Sophomore Greg Ryan stole the quarterback job from Gabe Berry at midseason and threw for 1,137 yards and seven scores. Berry, now a junior, is a capable backup (1,042 yards and 5 TDs). Tailbacks Larry Bell, Robert Rogers, and Adonis Harris will run behind a wall that includes three returning starters and junior Mike Fredenburg (6-5, 300), a transfer from Georgia.

A maturing defense is built around sophomore Nakia Thomas (115 tackles) and two other returning linebackers. Three more starters are back in the secondary, among them junior cornerback Donnie Abraham, who had a league-high seven interceptions. The line may be the unit's weakest link. All-conference tackle Chad Radcliffe is gone, and there will be some reshuffling before the first kickoff. Watch rapidly improving sophomore tackle Armando DeLeon.

And watch the Buccaneers. All of a sudden, this team can play.

#### APPALACHIAN STATE

(4-7, 4-4) Last season stunned the Mountaineers' fans. Loss piled upon loss and before they knew it, their beloved Apps were off to a 1-7 start. ASU finished with three straight victories providing hope for the future, but still saw a string of eight consecutive winning seasons emphatically snapped. There might be enough talent to start another winning streak, but the league is just too good to expect coach Jerry Moore to return the Mountaineers to their accustomed perch high in the SC standings this year.

ASU's offense will be built around senior tailback Chip Hooks, who's still just 5-7 and 155 pounds. No matter, Hooks is the school's No. 3 career rusher with 2,872 yards, 919 of them last season. Expect a thousand or so more this fall. Scott Saltfield (843 yards passing, 386 rushing) now a junior, started seven games at quarterback, but he'll compete for the job now with senior Andy Arnold, whose broken collarbone turned him into a redshirt in '93. The line returns four starters, including All-American possibility Brad Ohr at tackle.

The defense will try a 4-3 set this season, and try to forget about all-league linebacker Brent David, who graduated with 425 career tackles. The unit will look to SC Freshman of the Year Dexter Coakley, who was in on 159 tackles last fall. Seven lettermen, including senior tackle William Peebles, return on the defensive line, and the secondary is solid with all-SC cornerback Matt Stevens (six interceptions) and safety Jamie Coleman.

#### THE CITADEL

(5-6, 4-4) The Bulldogs complemented their ground-gobbling wishbone offense (279.5 yards rushing) with a stingy defense, but it still added up to a disappointing year. Now 1994 is here, and coach Charlie Taaffe enters his eighth season with lots of holes to fill. Eight defensive starters are gone, including the entire front four. There may be shuffles from offense—in fact, fifth-year senior Todd Lair did so last year, and should start at tackle. Tracey Gamble and Micah Young will start at linebacker. The secondary has but one returning starter, senior Ahren Self.

Expect the defense to be porous early, meaning the Bulldogs will simply have to outscore them. But can they? Fullback Everette Sands (877 yards) is gone. The leading candidate to replace him is junior Jason Pryor. The wishbone halfbacks are expected to be fifth-year senior Terrance Rivers and red-shirt freshman Kenyatta Spruill. Senior C.J. Haynes started at quarterback last season and produced 1,002 yards of total offense. But he could be pushed by talented sophomore John Burton. They'll have interesting targets in speedy wideouts Mike Flintom and Kenny Filmore, who could prompt Taaffe to throw more. The line returns four starters, including center Shawn Lyons.

The Bulldogs will be tough—as they always are. Because of that, they'll beat some teams they're not supposed to. They just won't beat enough of them.

#### YOUNGSTOWN STATE

(5-5-1, 4-4) The Paladins always seem to keep it in the family, and to be true to their Dick Sheridan heritage. Sheridan built Furman into a Southern Conference power,

then left for N.C. State. Jimmy Satterfield took over, and won a national title in 1988. Now it's Bobby Johnson's turn. He, too, is part of the family, having been a Furman assistant for 16 of the past 18 years. He returns after one season as Clemson's defensive coordinator, hoping to inject new enthusiasm into a program that's been slipping.

It won't be easy. The defense must be rebuilt almost from scratch. Gone are three all-SC performers—end Ryan Livezey, linebacker Milan Sterling and cornerback Andre Worrell—from a unit that wasn't that great anyway, allowing an average of 373.9 yards per game. A key is senior linebacker Clayton Gibson, who had 150 tackles in nine games before going down with a knee injury. He's supposed to be healthy again. The line lost four regulars, but the secondary is solid, featuring cornerback Kavis Reed and free safety Mark Tate.

Offensively, the line should be sound with the return of all-SC tackle Brian Fisher as well as starters Mike Jordan at center and Jim Peavy at guard. At quarterback are senior Philly Jones (117 of 205 passes for 1,606 yards and 9 TDs) or sophomore Braniff Bonaventure, who provided some clutch relief last fall. The receivers include flanker Rick Ford and wideout Adrick Harrison. But the running game was weak last year. Look for junior Leonardo McClarty to take over at tailback, where he gained 358 yards rushing over the last five games.

#### UT-CHATTANOOGA

(4-7, 2-6) Buddy Green takes over as the Moccasins' third head coach in three years, replacing Tommy West, who skipped off after one season to Clemson and the big time, leaving the reconstruction to Green. He inherits a team that can move the ball (352.6 yards per game) but allows opponents to move it even farther (429.5 yards, worst in the conference).

Senior quarterback Kenyon Earl returns. He completed 146 of 264 passes last fall for 2,233 yards and 18 touchdowns. His 134.9% efficiency was tops in the league. He'll throw to junior split end Terrell Owens (38 catches for 724 yards and 8 TDs), senior tight end Demarko Kemp (25), and junior flanker Derek Hall (22). All well and good. But who will carry the ball, and who will block for Mr. Earl? Both starting running backs are gone and only one line starter, junior tackle Quonta Vance, returns. Keep an eye on sophomore Henry Bowen, who could steal the tailback job.

The defense retains eight regulars, but remember, these guys didn't stop anybody a year ago. The strongest area is probably the secondary, where three starters, including free safety Jermaine Barnette, return. The depressing part is that Barnette's 66 tackles were a team high. All of which means Green has his work cut out for him. He's got the construction permit. We'll learn in the fall if his rebuilding project is on schedule.

#### VIRGINIA MILITARY

(1-10, 1-7) The last time the Keydets had a winning season, Ronald Reagan was in the first year of his presidency. Since that 6-3-1 mark in 1981, VMI has turned out a dozen straight losing teams. They try in Lexington,

Virginia. Oh, how they try. But it's tough to get quality football players to accept barracks life and discipline, and so VMI continues to struggle.

New boss Bill Stewart is making changes. He's juking the wishbone offense in favor of a multiple set, which means formerly ground-oriented VMI will try to start flying. To do so, quarterback Steve Johnson will have to improve his 39.2 percent completion percentage. But he seems to have the job. Eric Reynolds, who split time with Johnson in '93, has been shifted to flanker to bolster the receivers. Split end Marlon Anderson, a deep threat, caught 21 passes as a sophomore. He may double that total this season. The running game features sophomore halfback Thomas Haskins, who gained 594 yards on just 106 carries as a freshman. He'll be protected by a line that returns four regulars.

The defense retains seven starters, but it surrendered 426.9 yards a game last year, so that may not be a plus. Now Stewart steps into the fire. Let's give him a magic number of three. The Keydets haven't won that many conference games in a season since '81.

#### mid-eastern athletic conference

##### **predictions**

##### *mid-eastern athletic conference*

1. Howard
2. South Carolina State
3. North Carolina A&T & Delaware State
5. Florida A&M
6. Bethune-Cookman
7. Morgan State

While most of last year's preseason talk in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference centered around two-time defending champion North Carolina A&T and South Carolina State, Howard coach Steve Wilson kept a relatively low profile. He didn't say too much, didn't make any bold predictions. Just said he "hoped" to be competitive. But in the back of his mind, Wilson knew he had one thing no one else in the conference had: quarterback Jay Walker. Simply put, Walker constructed one of the best seasons an MEAC quarterback has ever had. The senior from Los Angeles completed 55 percent of his passes, set league records for completions (223) and passing yards (3,324), and equaled the league mark for touchdowns (24). His exploits helped propel the Bison to the league championship, an 11-0 regular-season record, and a berth in the Division I-AA playoffs.

This year there isn't a dominant individual performer in the league, but there are several teams that appear to be capable of making a strong run at the title. And though Walker has departed, Howard should be one of the contenders.

#### **forecast**

(11-1, 6-0) Without question, quarterback Jay Walker was the focal point of the Bison's 1993 dream season. But he had plenty of help: an opportunistic defense that led the league in sacks and forced 30 turnovers.

solid special-team work, and players such as Jose White, Rupert Grati, James Cunningham, and Robert Bell, all of whom became stars in their own right. Because those four players return along with 36 other lettermen, chances are above average that coach Steve Wilson will be able to extend his stay atop the MEAC for another season.

Grant ran for 726 yards, caught 24 passes, and accounted for a league-high 20 touchdowns as a junior fullback. Cunningham hauled in 58 receptions and was a consistent threat as a return man. Bell is an All-American candidate at tackle, alongside center Daryl Hall. Pep Hamilton and Brent Williams will battle for the quarterbacking chores. Place-kicker Jason Decker had a solid freshman year. White and Marc Christie turned in outstanding efforts at linebacker while Tony Richards and Mike Sanders anchor the line. Though it was an area of concern in the preseason, there is talent in the secondary, which needs only more game experience.

Offsetting the loss of Walker won't be easy. But after last season's good fortune, the Bison are brimming with confidence, an intangible that can mean the difference between good teams and very good teams.

#### **georgia**

(8-4, 4-2) The Bulldogs have climbed high in the MEAC in the last two seasons, only to find A&T and Howard unwilling to let them get to the top. State fielded another quality squad last fall, losing four games to three teams which fielded a combined record of 30-5. This fall, coach Willie Jeffries looks to scale that final rung of the league ladder.

Defense has always been a staple of success at State. Last year's unit was steady but had to share the spotlight with a potent offense. Junior running back Michael Hicks rambled for a league-high 1,388 yards and scored 17 touchdowns. Hicks and Aaron Manigault (416 yards) helped open up the passing attack for quarterback Marvin Marshall, who improved through the air as the season progressed and accounted for over 1,200 yards of total offense. Al Sheil will head a veteran offensive line.

Anthony Cook is the latest in a long line of excellent defensive linemen at State. He led the MEAC in sacks (17½) and was in on nearly eight tackles per game, despite opponents' efforts to run away from him. He returns, but State's perimeter defense lost quality performers in linebacker Joe Montford and safety James Hester. Aggressive backs Kevin Pope, Macey Stephens and Russell Thomas hope to plug some of the gaps.

#### **north carolina**

(8-3, 3-3) You know your program has arrived when you can win eight of 11 games against a killer schedule and still have some fans consider your season a disappointment. Ridiculous, yes, but that's exactly what happened to coach Bill Hayes's Aggies. In 1993, A&T rolled through a demanding non-conference slate unscathed, but dropped an overtime game to Howard, another game against Delaware State that went to the final minute, and a triple-overtime thriller at South Carolina State that knocked them out of a shot at the Heritage Bowl. Thus there was no threepeat for the Aggies.

A&T's prolific wing-T attack churned out 284 yards rushing per game but lost several excellent backs and three standout offensive linemen from that unit. Hayes, however, does return junior quarterback Maseo Bolin, who completed 57 percent of his passes for 1,832 yards and showed the leadership potential coaches love. Brian Rodman and Larry King top another stable of Aggie backs, and Lamont Jones will try to stabilize a youthful but large offensive line.

Defensively A&T has several talented performers, such as linemen Toran James and Jimmy Barger, safety Curtis Burgins, and linebackers Mike Hamilton and Rod McDougald. But the Aggies must improve their pass defense to make another run at the league championship.

#### DELAWARE STATE

(6-5, 4-2) Every once in a while there are players who are so good for so long that opposing coaches wonder if and when the senior season will ever come. For coaches in the MEAC, Del State running back Phil Anderson is one of those players. After rushing for nearly 800 yards as a sophomore, Anderson topped that performance last year gaining 1,082 yards (averaging seven per carry), scoring 10 touchdowns, and catching 23 passes. But though 14 other starters also return, coach Bill Collick knows there are still a few holes left to fill. Wide receiver Derrick Neal, who averaged over 22 yards per catch last fall, established himself as one of the league's big-play men. All Collick has to do is find someone to get him the ball consistently. Both MacAdoo Harrison-Dixon and Dennis Jones showed flashes of brilliance during the spring at quarterback, but neither could claim sole ownership of the job. Joe Harris and Darald Stancil lend depth at running back. Keith Jarvis and Bennie Lee head the line.

Lloyd Badson, who recorded 119 tackles as a sophomore, spearheads the defense with fellow linebackers Craig Jones and James Moore and talented tackle Uhuru Hamiter. Jon Jensen and punter Chuck Poplos give the Hornets the league's best kicking.

#### FAMU

(5-6, 3-3) Following an immensely successful stay at NAIA powerhouse Central (OH) State, Billy Joe takes over as the new coach at FAMU. His first major task will be to infuse life into an offense that scored a league-low 26 touchdowns. But if he can do that, look out! The Rattlers return several key performers to a group that led the MEAC in total defense. Everything begins with linebackers Bruce Daniels and Earl Holmes. They find the ball often and are usually in a very bad mood when they get there, combining for over 200 tackles last fall. They'll be complemented by a pair of gifted corners, Ken Riley and Keino Taylor, and by end Rod Williams.

On offense, things aren't quite so settled. The Rattlers have been snakebitten by inconsistency at quarterback and running back for the past couple of seasons, but hope to rectify that in '94. Sophomore Ernest Cooper and junior Erck Hawkins are the front-runners at quarterback, but Joe signed three junior college performers who could push for time before things are over. Shamel Simpkins is the top returning runner and

Robert Wilson and George Terrell give FAMU good receiving targets. All-conference guard Leon Skillens also is back. One of the Rattlers' biggest offensive weapons is place-kicker Tim Cameron.

#### THE WILDCATS

(3-8, 1-5) Coach Cy McClaren's basketball teams at Bethune, though usually undersized, could always be counted on to play smart, hard, and disciplined. This fall, those are the characteristics he hopes the Wildcats will show on the gridiron. Bethune, which has traditionally fielded formidable passing teams, will probably structure its offense around a trio of fine receivers wide-outs John James and Morris Nobles and tight end Devon Cole. Wilmer White and Cameron Pitts will see considerable time at running back, while Tony Hines and John Cutlerhead head the line. McClaren knows that for Bethune to click offensively, one of his three or four quarterback candidates must step up and perform consistently.

The Wildcats are thinner on the defensive side. Terrence Ellis and Keith Brown are versatile players. The unit's strongest asset though, should be the secondary. Willie Ogleby raised a lot of eyebrows in his freshman year at safety, while Eric Hudson and Mario Cooper also turned in solid performances. And if Tyrone Laster is able to cut it academically, he could be one of the league's best defensive backs in recent memory. Last year, the Wildcats played a large number of underclassmen and took their lumps, dropping seven of their last eight games. Though they didn't have the depth and size of other MEAC teams, they often displayed the character needed to win in this league. McClaren, in his second tour of duty as football coach, knows a challenging season lies ahead, but don't be surprised if the Wildcats catch a few teams trying to peek past them before the year is up.

(3-8, 1-5) Though it hasn't necessarily been reflected in their record, the Bears have made positive strides over the past two years, fielding one of the league's potent offenses. But for them to be able to make more headway in the MEAC, coach Ricky Diggs knows the Bears can't continue to give up points as quickly as they score them. This spring, he put heavy emphasis on improving a defense which yielded over 49 points in seven of the team's 11 games. The Bears must replace All-America tackle Matthew Steeple, but return lineman Monjah Brown and a potential star in linebacker Greg Lomax. With Anthony Freeman, Jason Mitchell, Eric Johnson, and Khary Tucker, the secondary has potential. And for the first time, Diggs feels he has depth, something the Bears have lacked in years past.

On the other side of the ball, Morgan suffered the loss of several quality players but does return what is arguably the league's best receiving corps. Otis Covington, Donte Carter, Elijah Cameron, Bernard Barnes, and Chris Ursini have big-play capability. It will be the job of Michael Moore, a starter two years ago at quarterback, to get them the ball, and he'll be protected by an experienced line headed by tackles Jason Stamps and Jeffrey Myers. □

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7. Texas Christian  
8. Southern Methodist

# **southwest**

## **TEXAS**

The moment of truth could be at hand for the Longhorns, who have been overshadowed in recent years by SWC rival Texas A&M. With the Aggies ineligible for a bowl appearance this season, Texas finally could be in position to earn the Cotton Bowl appearance that has eluded them in the first two years of their rebuilding under coach John Mackovic. Although the Longhorns were 5-5-1 last fall, victories in four of their last six games indicated they might be coming of age.

After a record-breaking freshman season, quarterback Shea Morenz is prepared to direct an offense that averaged almost 400 yards per game a year ago. Morenz set team single-season records for most pass completions (183) and attempts (335) while throwing for 2,341 yards and 13 touchdowns. Curtis Jackson is among five running backs with game experience, while

### **southwest conference**

freshmen Darrell Wilson and William Barnes will be given the opportunity to establish a presence in the Texas backfield.

Juniors Mike Adams and Lovell Pinkney return to form what could be the best passing tandem in school history after combining for 99 receptions, 1,594 yards, and 12 touchdowns in '93. Adams ranked 10th in the nation in kickoff returns and 22nd in punt returns. Pinkney is another of the SWC's premier big-play threats, having caught five passes for 50 or more yards in his first two seasons. Justin McLemore and tight end Jimmy Hakes add quality depth to the receiving corps. Blake Brockermeyer, who will shift from right to left tackle this fall, leads a group of four returning starters in the line. Sophomore center Dan Neil, junior guard John Elmore, and tackle Joe Phillips join converted defensive tackle Dominic Bustamante, dominant forces for an offense that lost only two starters.

The outlook is equally bright for a talented

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CHUCK PICARD**

defense that also returns nine starters, including cornerbacks Joey Ellis and Bryant Westbrook and safety Chris Carter. Tre Thomas, a converted sophomore linebacker, will contend for the other starting role in the Longhorns' secondary. Several changes have been made at linebacker as the result of a switch to a 3-4 alignment. Defensive ends Norman Watkins, Bryan Johnson, and Patrick Hayes were tested at linebacker during spring drills and could join such holdovers as senior Kevin Waller, Robert Reed and Jason Reeves. Experience is an important factor in a line that features Tony Brackens, Stone Clark, and converted tight end Thomas Baskin. Brackens led the Longhorns with 10 sacks and 23 quarterback pressures as a true freshman a year ago.

Duane Vacek returns to handle the punting chores after averaging 41 yards last season. The Longhorns will depend on redshirt freshman Philip Dawson to continue a tradition of quality place-kicking.

Pride will be about the only thing at stake for the Aggies this fall after they were sidelined by the NCAA for rules infractions involving overzealous booster activity. Although they cannot compete for the SWC title, the Aggies will try to extend their 22-game conference winning streak and improve on last year's 10-2 mark with the help of seven new assistant coaches who have joined R.C. Slocum's staff.

A wealth of talent at the skill positions has become a trademark at A&M. The tradition should continue with such standouts as quarterback Corey Pullig, running backs Rodney Thomas and Leeland McElroy, and wide receiver Brian Mitchell. In addition, the Aggies return three defensive backs from the unit that ended last season as the nation's top-ranked team against the pass. But formidable challenges must be conquered in an offensive line which lost four of five starters and a defensive front which lost all three starters and two key reserves.

Thomas led the Aggies with 996 yards rushing as a junior and will be joined in the backfield by fullback Cliff Groce. McElroy emerged as an all-purpose player as a freshman by rushing for seven touchdowns, catching four TD passes, and returning three kickoffs for scores. His 39-yard average on kickoff returns was tops in the nation. A lack of proven depth is a major concern at quarterback, since Pullig and senior Steve Emerson were the only players listed on the spring depth chart ahead of walk-on Stormy Case. James McKeahan is expected to step in at tight end and join Danny McCray, Kevin

the Most Valuable Defensive Player in the Cotton Bowl last January, changed his name to Antonio Armstrong after finishing second on the team with 73 tackles. Reggie Brown and Larry Walker are the top names on a long list of prospective candidates at linebacker. The strength of the Aggies' defense can be found in a secondary that returns cornerback Ray Mickens, free safety Junior White, and strong safety Michael Hendricks. Overall, the Aggies allowed only 116 pass completions and five touchdowns while intercepting 13 passes a year ago.

A three-way punting contest could develop among James Bennett, Sean Terry, and walk-on Bill Johnston, but the biggest question in A&M's special teams is who will handle the place-kicking. Leading candidates include Keith Waguespack, Kyle Bryant, and walk-on Manoli Venetoulas.

#### BAYLOR

Fielding a Cotton Bowl contender is a distinct possibility for Chuck Reedy as he begins his second season as head coach. Baylor stumbled to a 5-6 record in an injury-plagued '93, but should rebound behind a veteran defense and a reshuffled offense.



BRYAN JOHNSON Texas

Spring was a period of experimentation on offense for Reedy, who tinkered with a roll-out passing attack that featured the shotgun, a two-tight-end formation, and a slot-back set. Whatever level of success the Bears attain will be directly related to the progress made by sophomore quarterback Lamont Moore, junior tailback Brandell Jackson, and senior fullback Bradford Lewis. Jackson led the team with 899 yards rushing a year ago and added 357 yards on kickoff returns. The receiving corps should be improved with the return of John Stanley, Ben Bronson, Pearce Pegross, Dustin Denhard, and tight end Damon Rhynes. An experienced offensive line could play a major role in Baylor's hopes for its first SWC title in more than a decade. Junior Fred Miller, a two-year starter, will be joined by fellow tackle David Davis and guard Will Davidson. John Turner is the projected center, while Hunter Hunter, Curtis Draper, and Jerome Jackson will contend for the other starting guard position.



SHEA MORENZ Texas

Beirne, Chris Sanders, and Mitchell as quality receivers for a potent A&M offense. Calvin Collins has been moved from guard to center in an overhauled offensive line that lists Hunter Goodwin, Tim Vordenbaumen, Michael Cody, James Brooks, and John Richard as prime candidates for starting jobs.

The search for quality line help on defense has prompted the Aggies to move Larry Jackson and Brad Crowley from inside linebacker to end. Such newcomers as Pat Williams, Steve McKinney, David Maxwell, and Ryan Ross figure prominently in A&M's plans. Name changes also loom at linebacker, in more ways than one. Antonio Shorter,

There will be a new look to the defense this fall, but it won't have anything to do with the personnel. All 11 starters from last year's unit return to a fresh 3-4 alignment that Baylor's coaching staff has implemented in hopes of generating a more effective pass rush. Senior tackle Steve Strahan and ends Scotty Lewis and Daryl Gardener should provide the Bears with one of the top defensive fronts in the conference. A harrowing succession of injuries enabled several different players to earn starting experience at linebacker last season. Tony Tubbs, LaCurts Jones, Robert Mason, Malcolm Hamilton, and Dean Jackson are the top candidates for the two inside linebacker positions. Contenders for the two outside spots include Philip Kent, Chris Dull, Glenn Coy, Chad Boyd, Justin Still, and junior college transfer Gary Bandy. Injuries also took their toll in Baylor's secondary, where Chris Lewis returns for his fourth year as the starting free safety. Converted quarterback Adrian Robinson, who intercepted four passes in his last four games at strong safety, will join cornerbacks George McCullough and Kendrick Bell in trying to put added pressure on opposing receivers. Opposing quarterbacks completed 63 percent of their pass attempts against Baylor last season.

First, the good news. Over the last two years, Texas Tech has put together the best composite SWC record of any of the seven teams eligible for the conference title this season. Now, the sobering news: The Red Raiders have brought out the hammer and nails as they prepare to undertake a huge rebuilding job on offense. Graduation dismantled the most prolific attack in school history, leaving coach Spike Dykes to de-



COREY PULLIG Texas A&M

pend on a group of talented newcomers and an experienced defense in hopes of improving on last year's 6-6 record.

Some Cavazos, Tony Darden, and Zebbie Lethridge have not taken a varsity snap among them, but all three will compete for the opportunity to replace Robert Hall as the Red Raiders' quarterback. Senior tailback Alton Crain, who gained 138 yards last season, is the top returning rusher. Lashon Ernest is the projected starter at fullback after rushing for six yards a year ago. Tech's inex-

perience on offense extends to the receiving corps, where Jayson Lavender is the top returnee among the wideouts after catching two passes last fall. Immediate help will be required from such junior college transfers as tailback Michael Cosey, fullback Rod Hobbs, and receiver Tony Wilson. Tight end Scott Ayor, tackle Jeff Wood, and center Scott Fitzgerald are the only returning starters on offense and all three contributed heavily in a school-record 475-yard per game average. Added help in the line will come from Robert Rivera, Ed Hendrix, Casey Jones and Ben Kaufman.

A defense with big-play experience controls the Red Raiders' destiny as they attempt to win their first SWC title in 35 seasons in what looms as their next-to-last chance before joining the Big Eight in 1996. Junior middle linebacker Zach Thomas set an all-time bowl record with seven tackles behind the line against Oklahoma in the John Hancock Bowl. He will be joined by inside linebacker Shawn Banks. Thomas and Banks combined for 225 tackles last year. Other stalwarts include rover Marcus Coleman and junior linebacker Anthony Armour. The secondary also returns intact with cornerbacks Cat Adams and Shawn Hurd and free safety Dewayne Bryant. Senior tackle Stephen Gaines and ends Damon



**ANDRE DAVIS** Texas Christian

Wickware and Byron Wright have to improve the pass rush this fall.

The kicking game will benefit from the presence of Jon Davis, who converted all 10 of his field-goal attempts from inside 38 yards. But a new punter must be found.

There were times when the most seasoned observers wouldn't have given a hoot for the Owls' chances of a winning season, let alone for contending for a bowl berth. But times are changing for a Rice program that has put together consecutive 6-5 records and will be striving for its first bowl appear-

ance in more than 30 years under new coach Ken Hatfield. Rice and Texas A&M are the only SWC teams with winning records in each of the last two years. Trying to maintain the winning tradition the Owls forged under previous coach Fred Goldsmith will be the primary challenge for a team which will join the Western Athletic Conference in 1996. Historians can only hope that Hatfield who has guided teams to bowl games in each of his last three coaching stops, can duplicate the feats of the last coach the Owls hired from Clemson. That was in 1940 when Jess Neely was named to head Rice's program. When Neely left 27 years later, he held the SWC record for career victories.

One of the first changes Hatfield made with the Owls was to install a spread-opt on offense. Senior quarterback Josh LaRocca and running backs Spencer George, Yoncy Edmonds and Pat Callahan will serve as the workhorses in an offensive scheme which the Owls hope will average 40 points per game or control the ball for 40 minutes a game. To achieve those lofty goals, Rice must find capable athletes to join his dovers Chris Cooley and Bobby Gray in the offensive front. Jimmy Lee and Ed Howard give the Owls much-needed experience at wide receiver. Added help will come from Emerson Alien and tight end Clemente Torres.

One of the Owls' strong points will be a linebacking corps headed by four-year starter Emmett Waldron and juniors Joe Davis and Larry Izzo. Another plus is the return of defensive backs Bobby Dixon and Jeff Sowels and linemen Derik Rutherford and Brynton Goyne. As usual, depth will be a concern on defense, especially in the line. Potential starters will come from a group that includes sophomores Ndukwe Kalu and Jason Winship and newcomers Johnny Golden and Kevin Conrad.

Johnny Bagwell made all 35 of his extra-point attempts last season, but the Owls are in need of more booming kickoffs. Tucker Phillips returns to handle the punting after averaging 36 yards as a sophomore.

#### Houston

While construction had begun on a state-of-the-art on-campus athletic facility, Houston was the only SWC team without a home after its fellow conference members had accepted invitations to join the Big Eight or the Western Athletic Conference. Searching for a new league affiliation, however, was secondary to securing more victories in the aftermath of last season's 1-9-1 nightmare in K.M. Helton's debut as head coach. A team that had often lived by its ability to overwhelm the opposition in a sea of points found itself on the short end of scoring sprees in '93. The Cougars allowed 28 or more points in 10 games and were outscored in the first half by a cumulative 239-71. In addition to an overhaul on defense, a rebuilding project is underway for an offensive unit that has juked the once-successful run-and-shoot in favor of a conventional two-back set.

Sophomore quarterback Chuck Clements started four games a year ago. That's the extent of varsity experience in the backfield as the Cougars must find capable running backs from a list of candidates that includes

junior college transfers Bryant Henderson and Jerome Williams. Since the offense no longer will place a hefty premium on talented wide receivers, Charles Spencer has been converted to a tight end and will contend for playing time with juco transfer Chris Herold. When the Cougars do throw the football, they'll have the luxury of veteran targets Julian Pitre, Ron Peters, Daniel Adams, and Joey Mouton. Most of the current offensive linemen were recruited as pass blockers, a skill that will take a back seat to opening gaps for running backs this fall. The only returning regulars are tackles Jimmy Henderson and Billy Milner, prompting the coaching staff to look to Dave Roberts, Mike Fuller, Jack Hansen, and Truett Akin for depth.

Any improvement on defense would be a big step forward, especially since the Cougars lost five of their top six linebackers. Likely replacements include Demond James, Chris Jones, and several incoming freshmen. The line is in considerably better shape with the return of end Marlon Foote and tackle Eric Harrison. Free safety Thomas McGaughey, strong safety Jerome Williams and cornerbacks Deric Mathis and Delmonico Montgomery will patrol a secondary that was repeatedly toasted.

Trace Craft will continue to handle the place-kicking and Jason Stott the kickoffs, but the search for a new punter is expected to continue in the fall.

#### Texas Christian

A three-game midseason winning streak served as the highlight of the Horned Frogs' 4-7 record a year ago. Whether TCU can make a run at a first-place finish and a potential bowl bid under coach Pat Sullivan will depend largely on how much quality depth the team can muster to go along with 18 starters who return.

Although junior Max Knake holds most of TCU's single-season passing and total-offense records, he is expected to be challenged at quarterback by sophomores Chance McCarty and Keith Cordesman. Andre Davis, Jeff Godley, Derrick Cullors, Chris Jeffery and walk-on Paul Brigance are the leading tailback candidates, while Ko Woods, Trey Van Pelt, and Bernee Garcia are competing at fullback. Brian Collins, Ryan Tucker, Greg Harris, and Chad Avery should provide depth at tight end, but Jimmy Oliver, John Washington, Labron Cornel, Troy Williams and Chris Brasfield are the only wide receivers on scholarship. The area of least concern is a veteran line consisting of tackles Barret Robbins and Boyd Milby, guards Bart Epperson and Chuck Wills, and center Kevin Brewer.

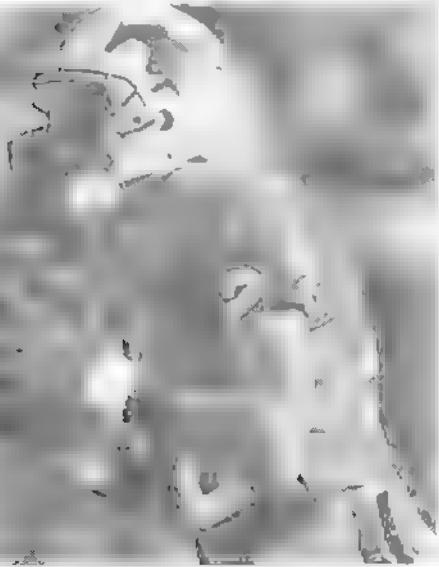
Developing depth throughout the secondary and the line is a priority on defense. Converted cornerback Marve Hopes is projected as the free safety, while sophomore Geoff Stephens is his likely partner at strong safety. Charles McWilliams, Godfrey White, and Cedric Allen are the leading cornerback candidates. A hefty starting front anchored by Royal West, Brian Brooks, Chris Piland and Vincent Pryor is a strong point, but proven reserves are scarce. Several questions must be answered at linebacker, where seniors Reggie Anderson and Mike Mouton and junior Tyrone Roy all have starting experience on the inside. Lenoy Jones and Tony

Brown are competing for spots at outside linebacker.

Beau Stephens, a JC transfer, could handle the place-kicking and punting.

## THE HILLTOP MUSTANGS

Up hill battles have become a way of life on the Hilltop since the NCAA briefly put the plug on the Mustangs' football program in the mid-1980s. After failing just one victory short of a winning season two years ago



MICK ROSSLEY Southern Methodist

SMU slumped to 2-7-2 last fall under coach Tom Rossley. Escaping the SWC cellar might be difficult unless several young players quickly adapt to critical positions.

Ramon Flanigan set a school record for quarterbacks by rushing for 462 yards as a freshman last season, only one fewer yard than team leader Kevin Shepard. Flanigan will be throwing to a talented group of receivers led by Erwin Wilburn, Brian Berry, and Mick Rossley. Flanigan and Shepard will be joined in the starting backfield by senior Jacques Smith. Experience is the biggest attribute of a line that returns tackles Tony Ned and Bryan Craig, guard Keith Chiles, and sophomore Brannon Kidd.

A similar situation exists on defense where tackle Ahmad Hayes and end Jason Evans combine to form the nucleus of what should be an improved unit. It has taken only a year for the Mustangs to transform their linebacking corps from a glaring weakness to a significant strength. Senior strongside linebacker B.J. Stankovich will be joined by sophomore Chris Bordano, juniors Craig Swann and Cagan Morgan, and redshirt freshman Wade Smith. Strong safety Rodney Watkins has developed into a leader in the secondary, where the Mustangs lack depth. Michael Arlmore, Cornel Parker, Weston English, Jay Harvey, and Ken Neal are among the players competing for spots there this fall.

Avoiding a drop-off in the caliber of special teams' play is a concern since the Mustangs are depending on incoming freshman Anthony Scott to become their new punter. Ben Croslan, a transfer from North Carolina who sat out last season, could develop into a potent force as the place-kicker.

## INDEPENDENT

### NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

The Indians made their final season in I-AA competition a year to remember by finishing 9-3, climbing to No. 4 in the national rankings, and reaching the playoffs for the third time in four seasons. Maintaining that level of success might be difficult for new coach Ed Zajnbrecher now that Northeast Louisiana has made the long-awaited move to I-A. That challenge will be complicated because the Indians have to find a starting quarterback and replace eight starters on defense.

Raymond Philyaw, Brent Scott, and junior college transfer Larry Haney will contend for playing time at quarterback and the opportunity to throw to such experienced targets as Stepfret Williams, Kevin Washington, James Boyett, and Charles Randolph. The Indians will build their multi-level defense around linebacker Damon Poage, cornerback Connery Wilson, strong safety Conrad Clarks, and tackle Brian Houston.

### SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE

#### PREDICTIONS

##### SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE

1. McNeese State
2. Stephen F. Austin
3. Nicholls State
4. Northwestern State
5. Sam Houston State
6. North Texas
7. Southwest Texas

A new year might bring the same result in the Southland Conference as McNeese State prepares to defend its title and earn another playoff bid with the return of 48 lettermen from last season's nationally ranked squad. If the Cowboys falter, Stephen F. Austin might claim the league championship and earn its second consecutive playoff berth. Nicholls State could be the conference's most improved team with the addition of several talented newcomers and a secondary which returns intact.

Northwestern Louisiana, North Texas, Sam Houston State, and Southwest Texas all appear to be a year away from making a serious challenge at a first-division finish. Only seven teams will be competing for the SLC title this fall now that 1993 playoff entry Northeast Louisiana has made the jump to I-A. That number will shrink again in 1995 when North Texas takes the I-A plunge.

If the Cowboys are to defend their SLC championship successfully under coach Bobby Keasler, they will probably have to match or surpass last year's gaudy 10-3 record. McNeese went 7-0 in conference play, climbed to No. 5 in the national rankings, and advanced to the semifinals of the I-AA playoffs while setting 17 school records.

A repeat performance is possible with the return of quarterback Kerry Joseph, running backs Henry Fields and Rusty Struppek, and tight end Michael Warren. Joseph

passed for 1,981 yards and 20 touchdowns last fall, but he will have to team up with such new receivers as Skeet Owens, Terence Davis, Darren Joseph, and Thomas Simon this time. Veteran tackles Ronald Cherry and Marsh Bruce and guard Jonathan Ashley are holdovers in the offense's line.

Free safety Zack Bronson and cornerbacks Kevin Smith and Damon Gladney provide stability for a defensive unit that led the nation last season by allowing an average of only 276 yards per game. The line should be bolstered by the presence of end Dana Scott and tackle Michael Hinton. Vincent Landrum is the Cowboys' only veteran hold-over at linebacker.

### STEPHEN F. AUSTIN

Reaching the I-AA playoffs for the fourth time in seven years should be a realistic goal for the Lumberjacks after an 8-4 finish that left them with a No. 14 national ranking at the end of last season. Nine starters return on offense and another nine on defense for coach John Pearce, whose incoming freshman class has been rated among the best in school history.

Junior running back Leonard Harris, on a pace to become SFA's all-time rushing leader, joins option quarterback James Ritchey in one of the league's potent backfields. The Lumberjacks also have a pair of superior pass targets in Michael Pearce and Kevin Goodwin. Octus Polk, Scott Griggs, and Lee Kirk are the biggest names in a capable line. Added help on offense is expected from tight end Marcus Harper, a transfer from Pitt, and fullback Colius Norwood, a transfer from Navarro JC.

How much progress the defense makes will depend largely on linebackers Willie Mitchell, Cally Belcher, and Baron Brown. Mitchell is returning to the squad after a one-year absence. Senior tackle Chris Robertson, a three-year starter, will be joined on the front by Texas A&M transfer Charles Davis. Terrance Shaw is the most prominent returnee in the secondary.

### MIDDLE STATE

The road to respectability has been a rocky one for the Colonels, whose two conference victories last season matched their total since entering the Southland in 1991. But optimism abounds that improvement can be made on last year's 3-8 record under coach Rick Rhoades. Just how much improvement will be made likely will depend on how well an overhauled passing game blends with an experienced defense.

Quarterback was a major concern for the Colonels a year ago. Henri Ransfore, Corey Thomas, and Jonathon Terrell will compete for the responsibility of running the team's attack offense, which hopes to utilize veteran wingback Reggie Rogers and running back Roscoe Griffin. Finding capable receivers will be another priority. The offensive line should be a strong point with the return of Dean Buckland, Allen Catoe, Ruble Encalade, and Mike LeBlanc.

Returning starters Jared Allemand, Terrell Henry, Darryl Pounds, and Clarence Wiggins provide a wealth of experience in a secondary that looms as the centerpiece of the defense. Pounds, a free safety, made a team-high 99 tackles for a unit that yielded

an average of 406 yards and 34 points per game. To reduce those numbers, the Colonels will need solid performances from linebackers Brett Adams, Tyrone Houston, and Ivan Williams. Aaron Ward is the only returning starter in the line.

#### TEXAS STATE

A series of injuries kept the Demons from a winning record last year during a 5-6 finish under coach Sam Goodwin. Whether a championship contender is fielded this fall will depend on the progress made in the offensive and defensive lines.

Seven starters return on offense, including running back Clarence Matthews, fullback Danny Alexander, and receivers James Brock, Jared Johnston, and Mike Allen. A closely watched story line this fall will be the competition between incumbent Brad Laird and transfer Tori Williams at quarterback. Help in the line must come from a group that includes center John Dipper and highly touted junior college transfer Neal Sharkey.

Improvement must be made by a defensive unit which was shredded for an average of 392 yards and 28 points per game in '93. A simplified version of the 3-4 alignment has been installed to maximize the talents of linebackers Steve Readeaux, Marlon Ed-

wards, and Terry Johnson, safety Tony Echols, and cornerback Don Butler. Veteran ends Joe Cummings and Jason Storm are big-o threats on a line that will have to use intensity to compensate for the lack of a big physical presence.

The defense should improve with the return of veteran linebackers Billy Holmes, Marc Tidwell, and Jeff Jordy and backs Era Palmer and Trey Woods. Tidwell led the team with 99 tackles as a redshirt freshman. Nose guard Elvin Massenburg anchors a line that includes ends John Solomon and Zenon Flores. Junior college transfers Eric Anderson, Duane Maynard, and David Garrett were recruited to provide some needed help in the secondary.

#### MONTANA

The first season for Matt Simon as the Eagles' head coach also will be the school's last before making the jump to the I-A level. Piecing together a tattered defense that allowed 33 points per game during a 4-7 season is the top priority.

The rebuilding job on defense will begin in a five-back secondary that returns veteran cornerback Lorenzo Washington and rover Benny Cherry. Added help will come from transfers Gerald Farley and Devon Johnson. Shawn Hicks, the Eagles' only returning regular at linebacker, will be joined by redshirt freshmen Russell Jones, Brett Renfro, Howard Short, and Kenneth Talmon. The line will be anchored by Willie Hudson, Shane McLaughlin, and Stan Thomas.

Scoring points shouldn't be a concern for an offense led by quarterback Mitch Maher, fullback Stacy Anderson, and running back Cedric Cromer. The Eagles also have an abundance of quality receivers who thrive in an attack which occasionally uses four wideouts on the same play. David Brown, Corey Broadnax, Troy Redwine, and Luis Silva all return after combining for 125 receptions a year ago. Newcomers must blend with seniors Brad Smith and Greg Price to provide adequate protection in the line.

#### SOUTHWEST TEXAS

A search for quality linemen is underway for a program that stumbled to a 2-9 record last season under coach Jim Bob Heuser. Although 12 starters return, end Michael Thompson and tackles Chris Mantooth and Monte Lewis are the only first-team linemen back this fall.

If the Bobcats can find adequate help in their line, they might be able to generate enough offense to escape the Southland's lower division. John Hygh is being moved to wide receiver, creating an opportunity for JC transfer Jeff Lefevre to take over at quarterback. Rushing leader Donald Wilkinson adds speed in the backfield.

Strong safety Todd Siebert and linebacker Scott Swinnea are two of the top returning players on defense. Added experience comes from outside linebacker Vincente Reid and cornerback Nicolas Jack. The kicking game looks as a major plus with the return of punter Jeff Brandes and place-kicker Ray Whitehead, who converted 13 of 17 field-goal attempts as a junior.

## southwestern athletic conference

### *predictions*

#### southwestern athletic conference

1. Alcorn State
2. Southern
3. Grambling
4. Jackson State
5. Mississippi Valley
6. Alabama State
7. Texas Southern
8. Prairie View

With Steve McNair at the controls, Alcorn State is ready to pull the throttle on an uninterrupted little flight this fall. They were thrown off course a year ago by Southern University, which assured itself a share of the SWAC title by shooting down the high-flying Braves, 47-31, then nailed down the school's first outright conference crown since 1959 by beating archriva Grambling, 31-19, in the season finale. McNair hadisman-like credentials in 1993 when he accounted for 3,830 yards in total offense. Only Dave Dickenson of Montana owned better numbers (3,978 yards) among I-AA quarterbacks. Southern will rely heavily on senior quarterback Eric Randall, while sophomore Kendrick Nord will direct the Grambling offense. The latter was voted SWAC Newcomer of the Year in 1993.

Jackson State is hanging its hopes on All-American running back candidate William Arnold. Alabama State finished strong last fall by going unbeaten in its final six games, but the Hornets must improve on offense before they can be considered a little contender. Mississippi Valley could better last year's 4-4-2 record if the Delta Devils get some help on defense to go with an upgraded passing attack. Texas Southern has a new head coach in Bill Thomas, who is intent on leading the Tigers to their first winning season in 24 years. Meanwhile, Prairie View would be happy simply to break into the victory column. The Panthers, who have not won a game since beating Mississippi Valley in 1989, carry a 35-game losing streak.

(8-3, 6-1) Containing an explosive aerial attack geared around quarterback Steve McNair and wide receiver Marcus Hinton will be the chief concern for Alcorn State's opponents in 1994. McNair will be hard-pressed to match last year's performance (204 of 386 passes for 3,197 yards and 22 TDs). The versatile 6-3, 218-pound senior also rushed for a team-high 633 yards and eight TDs in winning the league's Offensive Player of the Year award. Hinton (41 catches for 807 yards and 6 TDs) also earned first-team all-SWAC honors. Coach Cardel Jones returns five other starters from the unit that led the conference in passing (302.7 yards per game), total offense (457.3) and scoring (31.5 points per game). Fullback Tony Bullock, wide receiver Donald Ross, center George Graham (275), and a pair of giant linemen in Marquin Bivins (6-3, 320) and Michael Ellis (6-1, 305).

Six defensive regulars are back, headed by Allen Haynes, who led the SWAC in tack-

DARRYL POUNDS Nichols State

wards, and Terry Johnson, safety Tony Echols, and cornerback Don Butler. Veteran ends Joe Cummings and Jason Storm are big-o threats on a line that will have to use intensity to compensate for the lack of a big physical presence.

#### TEXAS WESLEYAN

Several familiar names will be on hand this fall when the Bearkats welcome 15 returning starters from the team which finished 4-7 last season under coach Ron Randleman. Five of those defeats were by seven points or less, a margin the Bearkats could reverse with the help of 42 returning lettermen and a blue-ribbon group of I-A and JC transfers.

Senior tailback Charles Harris needs only 332 yards to become the school's all-time rushing leader after he established the single-season record with 1,142 last fall. Wide receiver Blake Vincent tied a school mark

les (146). Rejoining him at linebacker are seniors Jermaine Brown and Carlos Thornton. Linebacker Howard Mosby (245), with Malcolm Jones and Ben Carter in the secondary. Gorne White will provide spark as a return specialist. The 175-pound speedster averaged 10.3 yards per punt, and 21.8 yards per kickoff return, his longest being a 95-yard scoring run against Howard University.

#### SOUTHERN

(11-1, 7-0) Pele Richardson waved a magic wand last season in leading the Jaguars to the league championship in his first year on the job. And Richardson will need to dig deep into his bag of tricks again if the Jaguars are to repeat their title run in 1994. Quarterback Eric Randall is the lone returning in the backfield, and All-America back Sean Wallace is one of five defenders who will be sorely missed. The other key losses are free safety Jabbar Juuke, cornerback Mark Boyd, end Charles Johnson, and tackle Kevin Wilson.

All is not bleak, however. Randall, who threw for 1,892 yards and 18 TDs as a junior, will have two experienced receivers in Fred Bailey (34 catches for 459 yards and 3 TDs) and Landry Williams (21-419-5). All-SWAC guard Calvin Griffin (6-2, 285) spearheads an offense line that figures to be stronger this season with tackles Craig Weaver (290) and Roderick Hill (6-4, 305), guard Marshall Hayes (283) and center John Jenkins (292). The linebacking corps features the talented Kenya Rounds (8 sacks) plus Earl Mackey and Isiah Shy, with the latter returning after rehabilitating a knee that he injured in the opening game last fall. Three-year starter Jerry Wilson provides leadership in the secondary. Junior Kendell Shielo (285) is back on the defensive line.

Duane Fuller is an accurate place-kicker, while Kenyatta Sparks averaged a whopping 39 yards on nine kickoff returns, including a 100-yard touchdown.

(7-4, 4-3) The departure of record-setting fullback Eric Gant is a cause for concern in the Tigers' camp. But Eddie Robinson, entering his 54th season at Grambling—where he ranks as college football's all-time winningest coach (388-140-15)—will build his 52nd Tiger team (the school did not field a team for two years during World War II) around 15 returning starters.

Running backs Norman Bradford (458 yards) and Jeff Nichols (303 yards) will try to fill the shoes of Gant, who last fall became the school's all-time leading rusher (3,795 yards). Quarterback Kendrick Nord was voted the league's Newcomer of the Year in 1993 after he threw for 1,987 yards and 16 TDs. Split end Curtis Ceaser (30 catches for 753 yards and 4 TDs) and wingback Tyrone Jones (23-558-8) are quality receivers. Tackle Timmy Taylor is the lone returning starter up front. The defense features all-SWAC tackles Eric Fontenot and Albert Reese. Linebackers Mark Mosby and Keifer Phillips ranked second and third on the team in tackles. Jeffery Ceestand, Rodenck Muller, and Brian Livingston are back in the secondary. Gilad Landau, a two-time Sheridan All-American, provides the Tigers with a strong kicking game.

#### LACHESON STATE

(5-5-1, 3-3-1) Filling the shoes of nine departed defensive starters places a heavy burden on coach James Carson, who is hoping All-America candidate William Arnold will step forward and balance the scales. The 5-10, 180-pound senior rushed for 1,082 yards and seven touchdowns last season, saving his best for last. Arnold gained 750 yards in the final three games spicing his performance with an NCAA-record 346-yard effort against Texas Southern. Arnold's record fell the following week when Tony Vinson (Towson State) rambled for 364 yards against Bucknell.

Plugging the quarterback position could be an adventure. Senior Darrell Asberry, who has little experience, will be challenged for the starting job by redshirts Daryle Heidelberg and Gralyn Pratt with freshman Chris Hanks also in the picture. Wide receiver La Shan Ausmer (13 catches for 301 yards and 3 TDs) is the primary passing target. Center Keith Bradshaw (285) and tackle Rayfield Adams (235) are returning starters in the line, with Kendrick Bibbs (265) and Carlos Cosby (300) moving up to join them.

Picasso Nelson owns center stage on the defensive unit. The junior free safety had a hand in 87 tackles a year ago and one of his four interceptions resulted in a touchdown. Strong safety Eric Austin also returns. Ricardo Carson and Lauren Gain are capable linebackers. Darrold Jones (255), Corwin Sledge (285), and Fredesz Moore (275) will try to shore up an inexperienced line.

#### LOUISIANA STATE

(4-4-2, 2-3-2) An improved passing game will make the Delta Devils a more explosive team as they attempt to get back on the winning track after last season's sputtering performance. Coach Larry Dorsey will build his fifth team around 13 returning regulars.

Quarterback Honore Brutton (6-5, 225) put up decent numbers (597 yards, 6 TD passes) in a back-up role last season. He'll look for wide receiver Steve Booze (23 catches for 553 yards and 9 TDs) and tight end Victor Cullen (26-351-2). David Arrington ran for a team-high 857 yards. Greg Wilson (285), Leroy Foster (280), John Collins (270), and Isaac Green (260) return up front. Across the line are tackles Eddie Malone (275) and Brandon Dominick (290) with Alonzo Brown at free safety. Jimmy Crawford returns to handle the punting chores, but Harmon Granderson has yet to prove himself as the place-kicker.

The schedule does not favor the Devils who go on the road for four straight games before playing their home opener against Grambling on October 8.

#### LOUISIANA STATE

(5-4-1, 3-3-1) The Hornets avoided a losing record last fall by going unbeaten in their final six games. But if this momentum is to carry over into 1994, coach Houston Markham must generate more punch. Although the departed Ray White rushed for a league-leading 1,272 yards, the Hornets still lagged in three offensive categories, finishing seventh in total offense (295.8 yards per game), passing (105.6) and scoring (19.0 points per game). Also among the missing is

defensive back LeCorey Harvest, who led the league in interceptions for the second straight year and ranked second on the team in tackles. White and Harvest were first-team all-conference picks.

Running backs Antonio Parker and Cyrus Smith spark the ground game. Aceade Sustain and John Feagin will compete at quarterback. Reggie Barlow should surpass last season's numbers (team-high 19 receptions for 384 yards). Paul Etheridge (6-5, 315) and Emile Stallworth (263) are solid links in the line. The linebacking is strong Andre Dillard (106 tackles). Cedric Thornton, and Joe Dean. Also returning are ends Herbert Harris (264) and Ervin Garner (232) and cornerback Michael Williams. Parker adds an added dimension as a kickoff returner and Barlow is a multiple threat with an 8.7-yard punt-return average.

#### LOUISIANA TECH

(2-9, 1-6) New coach Bill Thomas has never backed away from a challenge, which he will surely face this fall. The Tigers, with a 19-34-2 mark over the past five seasons, have not had a winning record since 1971.

Most of the key players are gone from the team that gained over 3,000 yards in total offense. But senior fullback Carnell White, the Tigers' top rusher (500 yards and 8 TDs), will spearhead a backfield that also includes sophomore speedsters Lee Jefferson and Kyle Arnell. Junior Mark Lathan and sophomore Byron Henderson are the leading quarterback candidates. Merideth Campbell, Jason Gaines, and junior T.J. Thompson are proven receivers. William Andrews (6-9, 286) is the lone returning starter in the offensive line, which will now include Marvin Smith (260) and Deroy Worrell (245). End Eric Johnson (240) will anchor the defensive line, where Keith Williams (6-7, 280) and Alfred Bryant (6-5, 240) add much needed size. Fifth-year senior Horace Williams and sophomore Ramon Manning are the featured linebackers. Kerry Lewis (team-high 68 tackles), is the top returning defensive back. Seniors Jonathan Muhammad and Terry Brooks will share the place-kicking.

#### LOUISIANA PANTHERS

(0-11, 0-7) The losses continued to pile up for the Panthers as coach Ron Beard's undermanned crew suffered through a third straight winless season, during which the Panthers were outscored by a whopping 423-77 margin. Among the 20 returning regulars are quarterback Greg Bell, wide receiver Alarie Henderson, and running back Shannon Rhea Bell, who started as a freshman last season, threw for 679 yards and five touchdowns under heavy pressure. He was intercepted 12 times and sacked on 19 occasions. Henderson had eight catches for 185 yards and two touchdowns. Rhea rushed for a team-best 560 yards and had a dozen receptions. Seniors David Washington (286), Leonard Smith (285), and David McPherson (280) are on the line.

Kevin Garner (6-1, 319) is an imposing figure on the defensive line, where he will be joined by Corey Fregia (270). Linebacker Jerrold Crowder was the No. 2 tackler. Barry Robinson and Arthur Booker are steady on the corners with Walter Miller at strong safety. Torrance Brooks (5-4, 150) poses a threat on kick returns. □



TYRONE WHEATLEY Michigan

# midwest

## big ten conference



(8-4, 5-3) Not only are the Wolverines loaded they also have some incentive. For the first time since 1988, Michigan's not the defending Big Ten champion. That should give coach Gary Moeller plenty of motivation to throw at his players. The Wolverines might have been the best team in the country at the end of last season. If not the best, then certainly they were a team nobody wanted to play. Just ask Ohio State, which lost, 28-0, to Michigan in the regular-season finale, or North Carolina State, which fell, 42-7, in the Hall of Fame Bowl. By the end of the year, the Wolverines got all of their injured players back and several of their young players in key positions began to develop and mature.

The majority of those players are coming back for 1994, which makes the Wolverines the favorite for the Big Ten title.

The biggest returnee is senior running back Tyrone Wheatley. If Wheatley had departed after his junior year, he might have been the first pick in the National Football League draft. Wheatley, though, liked college and now ranks as a prime contender for the Heisman Trophy. The 6-1, 226-pound back rushed for 1,129 yards and 13 touchdowns in just 10 games last fall. Che Foster and Jon Ritchie complement him at fullback. Todd Collins provides experience at quarterback. He threw for 2,509 yards and 17 touchdowns in '93. Collins lost prime receiving threat Derrick Alexander to the NFL, but the Wolverines still have some of the nation's best in Walter Smith, Aman Toomer and

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**Mercury Hayes** The biggest difference in the Wolverines should be in the offensive line. This year, it should be experienced Guards Jon Runyan and Joe Marinaro head the group.

Defensively, the Wolverines will be led by linebackers Matt Dyson and Steve Morrison. Slowed by injuries last year, they will provide a big lift if they return healthy. Up front, Jason Horn and Tony Henderson handle middle guard. Moeller is looking for someone to step into the leadership role filled previously by last year's captain, Buster Stanley. Ty Law returns at cornerback and Chuck Winters at strong safety.

Once again, the schedule is imposing. The nonconference slate includes Boston

College, Notre Dame and Colorado, easily one of the toughest in the country. And the Wolverines don't get to play Northwestern. Still, they should be back to form in 1994.

**STATE**  
(10-2, 6-2) The Nittany Lions didn't come into the Big Ten and run away with the title, as many people thought they would. But they still enjoyed a successful season, thanks to a rousing 31-13 victory over Tennessee in the Citrus Bowl. That should give them some momentum going into 1994.

Coach Joe Paterno's squad should be well-stocked, especially on offense. It starts with quarterback Kerry Collins, who improved steadily after gaining the starting job midway through the season. The Nittany Lions averaged 37.3 points in their last three victories. Collins is backed up by Wally Richardson and Mike McQueary. Running back K-Jana Carter lived up to his potential in 1993, rushing for 1,026 yards and seven touchdowns in eight games. However, he missed most of the last games with swelling in the knee. Mike Archie also contributed at tailback, running for 766 yards and six TDs. Through the air, the Nittany Lions have a dangerous threat in receiver Bobby Engram. The Citrus Bowl MVP overcame personal troubles and had an outstanding season with 13 touchdowns. Tight end Kyle Brady, with 26 receptions, was recognized as an all-Big Ten selection. The line lost mainstays Mike Malinoski and Derick Pickett but returns center Bucky Greeley, guard Jeff Hartings, and tackles Marco Rivera and Andre Johnson.



MIKE ARCHIE Penn State

Defensively, the Nittany Lions will miss Lou Benfatti and Tyoka Jackson leaving the bulk of the duties to linebacker Brian Gelzheiser. He led the unit with 113 tackles to earn second-team all-league honors. Gelzheiser, however, underwent ankle surgery after the season and did not participate in spring drills. Eric Clair is the lone returning starter up front, and Paterno is hoping for contributions from Vin Stewart, Jeff Perry and Dave Thomas. The secondary lost three regulars, but Paterno feels he has ample

depth and experience to pick up any slack. Cornerbacks Maron Forbes and Tony Pittman (15 interceptions) will carry the load.

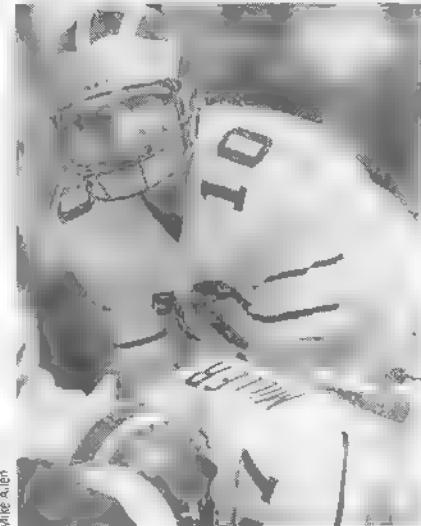
If the pieces fall into place, the Nittany Lions could help Paterno fulfill his dream of going to the Rose Bowl. A victory would be quite a story since Paterno, with 15 bowl victories, is tied with Paul Bryant for the all-time lead. Paterno would owe for No. 16 to take place in Pasadena.

## WISCONSIN

(10-1-1, 6-6-1) The Badgers did it once. Now can they do it again? That's the big question in the Big Ten going into the 1994 season. Wisconsin was last year's Cinderella story. Now the Badgers are one of the teams to beat. That has its disadvantages. They won't be able to sneak up on anybody this time. But on the plus side, the Badgers won't have to convince anybody that they are for real.

On paper, Wisconsin should be even better in 1994, with 15 returning starters from the winningest team in school history. Talent abounds everywhere, starting at running

### TODD COLLINS Michigan



back Brent Moss, the Big Ten and Rose Bowl MVP, bypassed a chance at the pros to play his senior season. Moss was the nation's leading rusher (1,637 yards), but he's just the start of the running attack. Coach Barry Alvarez has the luxury of platooning Moss with Terrell Fletcher, who merely ran for 996 yards averaging 6.0 yards per carry. The duo was easily the best 1-2 punch in the nation. Both players will once again start behind a stellar line. Center Cory Raymer might be the best in the country at his position. The Badgers also can move through the air. Quarterback Darrell Bevell emerged last fall, finishing as the No. 3-rated passer in I-A en route to breaking 10 school records. He has big-play targets in Lee DeRamus, who had 920 yards receiving in '93, and J.C. Dawkins (36 receptions).

Defense remains Alvarez's forte. Last season, the Badgers gave up only 130 yards per game on the ground. Alvarez's biggest concern is trying to replace defensive linemen Lamar Shackerford and Carlos Fowler. Much of the burden will fall on senior tackle Mike Thompson, who led the conference in sacks in '93. Eric Unverzagt is the top return-

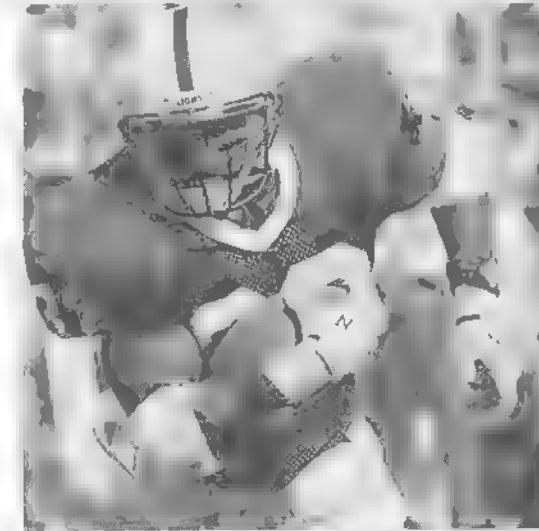
ing linebacker. Senior Jeff Messenger led the Big Ten in interceptions at cornerback, but he could see time at free safety this fall. Former JC teammates Kenny Gales and Donny Brady will start at cornerback.

The Badgers should be improved, but the schedule will be much tougher. There's a non-league game at Colorado and back-to-back games at Michigan and Ohio State. Last year those critical Big Ten meetings were at home.

## MICHIGAN STATE

(6-6, 4-4) After a few subpar seasons, the pressure is on George Perles in East Lansing. The Spartans improved to 6-6 last fall but suffered an 18-7 loss to Louisville in the Liberty Bowl.

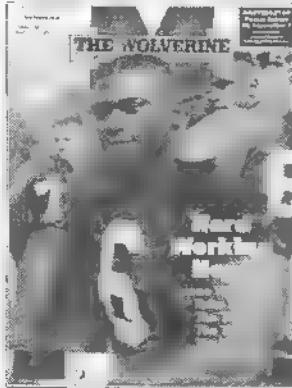
### KI-JANA CARTER Penn State



DARRELL BEVELL Wisconsin

But 1994 is a new year, and the Spartans could be ready to make a significant jump. They return 14 starters and welcome one key addition: Hank Bulloch, the new defensive coordinator. Bulloch has changed Michigan State to a 3-4 alignment, and the unit looked rejuvenated during spring drills. Sophomore linebacker Reggie Garrett earned Big Ten freshman of the year honors and can only get better. Senior Matt Christensen will work at strong-side linebacker. Perles has some holes to fill in the second-

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ary, where help could come from top recruit Amp Campbell, a high school All-America cornerback from Sarasota. End Juan Hammonds heads the line

Offensively, the Spartans should be potent despite losing quarterback Jim Miller. They averaged 23.1 points per game, thanks in part to a line they feel ranks among the best in the country. Senior tackle Shane Hannah and center Mark Birchmeier are All-America candidates. The Spartans think they have a replacement for Miller in junior college transfer Tony Banks. At 6-6, 220 pounds, Banks is drawing comparisons to Randall Cunningham for his mobility and his strong arm. Duane Goulbourne (973 yards) will be back at tailback. Senior Mill Coleman (48 catches) is the big-play threat at receiver.

The Spartans' fate in the Big Ten will be determined early. They open the conference season with three straight games against Wisconsin, Michigan, and Ohio State.



**MILL COLEMAN** Michigan State

(10-1-1, 6-1-1) John Cooper had his best year in Columbus, and still the heat was as intense as ever. Not only didn't Cooper get the Buckeyes to Pasadena, he also failed to beat Michigan for the sixth straight time. Cooper will be on the hot seat again in 1994. It could be a critical year for the coach, who never seems to get that vote of confidence. The situation might have been better if All-America defensive tackle Dan Wilkinson had remained for his junior year. Still, the Buckeyes have some big-name talent.

The offense begins with receiver Joey Galloway. Finally shedding injuries that dogged him during his first two years, Galloway emerged in 1993 with 47 receptions and 11 touchdowns. He averaged 20.1 yards per catch. The Buckeyes also have offensive tackle Korey Stringer (6-6, 310). He made several All-America teams as a sophomore and has a chance to pick up some big national awards this fall. He will be blocking for quarterback Bob Hoyer, who completed 109 passes for 1,570 yards in his first year as a starter. The biggest holes will be in the backfield, for the Buckeyes must replace Raymont Hams, who rushed for 1,344 yards and 12 touchdowns a year ago. Junior Eddie George figures to get his shot at tailback. Ohio State also must find a replacement for fullback Jeff Cothran.

The Buckeyes still should be strong defensively. The unit will be led by middle linebacker Lorenzo Stykes, who had a team-high 117 tackles and was the defensive MVP in the Holiday Bowl. Swift outside linebacker Craig Powell, who runs a 4.5 in the 40, should have a big year. The secondary will be keyed by Marlon Kerner, who had a 100-yard touchdown return off an intercept on against Purdue.

Cooper is 18-4-2 the last two years, which would be more than good enough at most places. But this is Ohio State meaning the pressure will be on again.

### ILLINOIS

(5-6, 5-3) The Illini are trying to bounce back after failing to go to a bowl game for the first time since 1987. They had a strange season, losing their first three games, splitting two, then winning four in a row including a big victory at Michigan, before closing out the year with two straight losses. They could follow the same trend this year. The Illini loom as the Big Ten's mystery team capable of making a run for the title or of being an also-ran.

Coach Lou Tepper is optimistic over the return of 18 starters, including several keys on defense. He might have the best set of linebackers in the country. Senior Dana Howard bypassed the pros for a chance to

**JOE RUDOLPH** Wisconsin



**JOE RUDOLPH** Wisconsin



win the Butkus Award. He should be a leading candidate. The Illini also are pushing for All-America status for Simeon Rice and John Holecek. Drop linebacker Kevin Hardy is another standout. Up front, Tepper is looking to nose guard Mikki Johnson, whom he compares favorably to former Illini great Moe Gardner. Tim McCloud and Chad Copher will be the tackles. The entire secondary is back, including safety Tyrone Washington, last year's third-leading tackler.

Illinois probably will go as far as its offense will take it. The key player is quarterback Johnny Johnson, who became the starter at midseason and threw for 1,688 yards and 11 touchdowns. Johnson, though, will be pushed by redshirt freshman Jeff Heckinski. The Illini need a big year from sophomore running back Ty Douthard. He became the first freshman in 49 years to lead the team in rushing (599 yards). The biggest question mark is the offensive line, where guards Derek Allen and Jon Kerr are the lone returning starters.

The schedule is favorable. The Illini play six of their first seven games at home.

#### BOBBY HOVING Ohio State

(6-6, 3-5) The Hawkeyes, like the Illini, had an unusual fall. They opened the season with two victories followed that with five straight defeats, and finished by winning four in a row. The season, though, finally burned in the Alamo Bowl, where Iowa was blitzed, 37-3, by California. It wasn't the kind of year typically enjoyed by coach Hayden Fry. He is looking for much more in 1994.

The Hawkeyes will need major improvement on offense, which ranked last in the Big Ten in scoring and total offense a year ago—remarkable for a Fry team. Iowa has to settle on a quarterback, and the job should be wide open going into fall drills. Sophomore Ryan Driscoll is the top candidate, but he will be pushed by Matt Sherman and Mike Duprey. There are capable targets in Harold Jasper (38 receptions for 641 yards) and Anthony Dean (29-408). Scott Slutzker (29 catches) is back at tight end. At tailback, senior Ryan Terry and sophomore Cedrick Shaw, who rushed for a combined 1,225 yards in 1993, will share the job again. Guard Matt Purdy is the anchor on the line.

Defensively, the Hawkeyes will miss tackle Mike Wells, who set school records for quarterback sacks. Chris Webb and Parker Wilderman have to take up any slack up front. The linebacker corps also was depleted, putting pressure on John Hartlieb and Bobby Diaco to step forward. Free safety Bo Porter and cornerback Damien Robinson head the secondary. Punter Nick Gallery should be a plus after averaging 41.7 yards.

#### INDIANA

(8-4, 5-3) Bill Mallory did it once more: He took an unheralded Hoosier team into a bowl game. But can he do it again? The odds will be against him because he lost 13 starters, including Thomas Lewis, who left school early and wound up as a first-round draft pick of the New York Giants.

Mallory will be counting on a lot of his players. One to watch is redshirt freshman Alex Smith. He looked impressive during the spring and could key the Indiana running

game. Jermaine Chaney returns after gaining 716 yards last fall. The quarterback situation is muddled. Last year's starter, John Paci, missed the spring recovering from shoulder surgery. That left Chris Dittoe to run the offense. There's a chance Mallory might let both players guide the Hoosiers in a platoon-like situation. At receiver, the quarterbacks will look to Eddie Baetz and Eric Matthews with redshirt freshman Brian Bruner waiting in the wings.

Defensively, Mallory also has to find some experience. The only full-time returning regulars are tackle Troy Drake and linebacker Alfonzo Thurman, the school's leading tackler the last two years. Drake and tackle John Hammerstein will anchor the front line. Part-time starters Trevor Wimot, a linebacker, and safety Lance Brown need to emerge for the Hoosiers. The kicking game will be an Indiana strength. All-Big Ten punter Jim DiGuilio averaged 44.3 yards and Bill Manopoulos converted 16 of 22 field goals.

#### MINNESOTA

(4-7, 3-5) The Gophers improved last season, and it could have been better. They lost three games by five points or less in the last minute of play and pulled the year's biggest upset, beating Wisconsin.

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Coach Jim Wacker is looking for another jump in 1994. Once again, he will use a wide-open offense. The race for the starting quarterback job should be interesting. Tim Schade began last fall as No. 1, but Scott Eckers came on to lead Minnesota to a three-game winning streak. However, neither one might start. Wacker is high on red-shirt freshman Cory Sauter. The leading rusher, Chris Darkins, missed spring practice recovering from wrist surgery. That opened the door for sophomore tailback Tommy Watson, who had a great spring



LEWIS GARRISON Minnesota

The Gophers have to find a replacement for star receiver Omar Douglas. Among the candidates are seniors Aaron Osterman and Lewis Garrison. Tackle David Vertin and guard Rick Thome anchor the left side of the line, but replacements must be found for Robert Rogers and Neil Fredenburg.

The defense will have to improve if the Gophers are going to move up in the standings. Last year, they were last in the conference, giving up an average of 31.9 points per game. Tackle Ed Hawthorne is the key player on the line and Craig Sauer will have to step up to help a depleted linebacker corps. Wacker is concerned about the lack of game experience at linebacker, but he hopes speed will compensate to make for a stronger unit.

(2-9, 0-8) After playing a tough game against Notre Dame and then defeating Boston College and Wake Forest to open the season, the Wildcats thought they had turned the corner last fall. But then injuries set in to give Northwestern another nightmarish season in the Big Ten.

Coach Gary Barnett is optimistic, but any significant improvement will be predicated on the development of several key players. Quarterback is a case in point. Last year's starter, Len Williams has graduated. In spring drills, nobody asserted himself to assume control of the job, although Steve Schnur has the inside track. Barnett, however, isn't ruling out using true freshman Lloyd Abramson or D'Wayne Bates as his starter. Barnett said he had as much respect for Abramson as Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz

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had last year for the Irish's highly touted freshman, Ron Powlus. Dennis Lundy will be back at tailback, but he will operate behind a revamped offensive line. Standout tackle Matt O'Dwyer moved to guard and will team on the same side with tackle Todd Baczek in an effort to boost the rushing attack. Mike Sinters and Chris Gamble are capable receivers.

The Wildcats need to step up defensively, but they might not have enough players. Barnett likes his secondary, led by safety William Bennett. He also has high expectations for cornerbacks Chris Martin and Rodney Ray. The Wildcats, though, are thin at linebacker following the graduation of Steve Shine, who was drafted by the Cincinnati Bengals. Possible replacements Mike Warren and Mike Giornetti sat out the spring with injuries. The line registered only one sack last year, so Barnett obviously is looking for some improvement there.

(1-10, 0-8) The Boilermakers hit ground zero last fall. Disgruntled fans started to put pressure on coach Jim Colletto, who still has two years left on his contract. This, however, will be a critical season for him.

Injuries and youth doomed Purdue last year. If the Boilermakers can avoid the inju-

**DENNIS LUNDY** Northwestern



**BOBBY TAYLOR** Notre Dame



ries, and some of the younger players come through they might be able to pump some enthusiasm back into Ross-Ade Stadium. At quarterback, Matt Pike and the left-handed Rick Trefzger split time last fall and are back for another season. Colletto has some talent if not a lot of depth in the backfield. Fullback Mike Alstott (816 yards) was Purdue's Most Valuable Player as a sophomore and tailback Corey Rogers gained 746 yards. The receivers are headed by Bert Thornton, a converted quarterback. The line should be deep with five returning starters.

Colletto believes his linebackers should be the strength of the defense. Juniors Bart Conley and Aaron Hall could be among the best inside linebackers in the Big Ten. Jayme Washel heads a maturing line, and cornerback John Jackson keys what could be a young and vulnerable secondary.

**LEE BECTON** Notre Dame



#### NOTRE DAME

(11-1) Most teams won't be able to lose 10 players who were drafted by the NFL and still be able to call themselves a contender for the national championship. But then Notre Dame never has been most teams. The Irish have simply reloaded and are out to grab the No. 1 spot that eluded them last fall. They beat Florida State but didn't get the job done against Boston College.

Despite all the losses of personnel, the Irish have plenty of players. The Ron Powlus era—provided the highly touted quarterback is injury-free—is about to begin. Powlus was supposed to be the starter as a freshman but he broke his collarbone. He participated in spring drills without contact. If he's healthy, Powlus seems to possess all the tools that could make him the next Irish legend. Once again, coach Lou Holtz will have his choice of tailbacks. Lee Becton (1,044 yards rushing) had an outstanding year, while Robert Farmer and Randy Kinder looked impressive as freshmen. Ray Zellers returns as fullback. Holtz has capable receivers in Derrick Hayes and Michael Miller and Oscar McBride will see time at tight end. The offensive line lost Aaron Taylor and Tim Ruddy, leaving guard Mark Zataveski and tackle Ryan Leahy as the anchors.

Defensively, the Irish lost two first-round draft picks in nose guard Bryant Young and safety Jeff Burris. Nobody, though, will be crying for Holtz. The Irish's front line returns nose guard Oliver Gibson and end Brian Hamilton. The linebacker corps will be young but talented. Outside linebacker Bert Berry has potential and Ronaldo Wynn had a good spring. Cornerback Bobby Taylor made several All-America teams as a sophomore and is a candidate for the Jim Thorpe Award as the top defensive back in the

Bil Pantza

country. Molding the unit will be new defensive coordinator Bob Davie, who comes over from Texas A&M. Hotz has to work in four new assistant coaches.

Two games stand out on the schedule: a trip to Boston College and a November 12 game against Florida State in Orlando. The Irish won't have any trouble getting up for their rematch.

#### WENATCHEE STATE

(8-3) New coach Rick Minter walks into a program on the upswing. The Bearcats posted their best season in two decades, and with eight starters returning, the prospects look good for the former Notre Dame defensive coordinator. The biggest challenge will be with a defense that lost seven starters. Minter plans to shift to a 4-3 from a 3-4 to help ease those losses. Ernest Aiken and Donan Adams are the key returnees on the line. Senior Reggie Hudson will be counted on at linebacker.

Offensively Minter likes to operate a ball-control attack, and he appears to have the players to do it. Junior Eric Vibberts, who saw action as a backup, will vie for the No. 1 quarterback job with junior college transfer Todd Preston. The line is experienced and sound. Leading the way are Matt Vaupel and Rick Simons. Eric Patterson and Paul Blackwood will share full back, while Craede Kimbrough and Darrell Harding will try to fill the void left by David Small, who rushed for 1,179 yards and 17 TDs last fall.

#### YOUNGSTOWN STATE

(13-2) The beat goes on at Youngstown State, which beat 13 opponents last fall and ran its four-year record to 47-9-1, making the Penguins the winningest team of the '90s. Among the victories are two in the Division I-AA championship game, both over Marshall (in 1991 and '93), which defeated Youngstown State in 1992 for the title.

If the Penguins are to match the accomplishment set by Eastern Kentucky in 1979-82 and return to the finals for a fourth straight time, coach Jim Tressel will first have to replace a major part of his offense. Gone are running backs Tamron Smith (the school's all-time leading rusher, 4,866 yards) and Darnell Clark, who combined for 2,599 yards on the ground a year ago, and place-kicker Jeff Wilkins, who tops the Penguins' career scoring chart (373 points). Junior quarterback Mark Brungard, who completed 58 percent of his passes for 1,504 yards and seven touchdowns, is back, as are receivers Don Zwiser and Trent Boykin, who had 62 catches between them for 911 yards. Four starting offensive linemen return seniors Chris Sammarone, Paul Kokos, Ray Miller, and George Tomasch. That will help ease sophomore running back Charles Perdue (392 yards) into the picture.

Junior linebacker and All-American candidate Leon Jones heads a cast of nine defensive starters back. He rejoins senior Reggie Lee on the inside and sophomore Andre Jethroe and junior Paul Conn on the line. The senior secondary returns intact: Reggie Brown, Vance Mayes, Randy Smith, and Lester Weaver.

The Penguins open defense of their title at home against Stephen F. Austin, one of two schools to defeat them in '93.

## mid-american conference

### ***predictions***

#### ***mid-american conference***

1. Western Michigan
2. Bowling Green
3. Ball State
4. Miami
5. Central Michigan
6. Eastern Michigan
7. Toledo
8. Ohio
9. Akron
10. Kent

Western Michigan is loaded with depth, experience, and high hopes after a second-place finish in 1993. Eighth-year coach Al Molde keeps 45 of his 53 lettermen, including 18 starters from a 7-3-1 team that finished a game behind Ball State. Molde also has a touted group of redshirt freshmen who are expected to push his veterans. The Broncos' primary losses were defensive backs Steve Hawkins and Pierre Hixon and offensive tackle Jason Bedell. Ball State, 8-3-1 after a loss to Utah State in the Las Vegas Bowl, has 14 regulars back including seven from the offense that ranked second in scoring in the MAC.

#### ***QUARTERBACKS***

Quarterback Jay McDonagh threw for 16 touchdowns while completing 61 percent of his passes, a school record, and is one of 10 returning starters on offense. The multi-dimensional Broncos also are strong at tail-

DELAND McCULLOUGH Miami



all-MAC Dion Powell, fellow tackle Matt Sikora, and ends Rich Kaser and Tony Tiefenbach—plus inside linebacker Peter Tuffo. The secondary must be rebuilt around Tristan Moss, Marcus Wagstaff, Vern Brown and Robert Forrest. Place-kicker Kevin Knope and punter Byron Hammons return.

#### ***LINEBACKERS***

Bowling Green had a two-year run of championships snapped last year, but with 15 returning starters is ready for another run at the title. The strength is linebacker Vince Palko, the MAC Defensive Player of the Year. By averaging 13 tackles a game, including a league-high 19 for losses, Palko helped the defense lead the league in three categories. Other returnees from that unit are backs George Johnson, Steve Rodriguez, and Shane Foster and linebackers Jason Wouillard and Chache Leal.

The Falcons enjoyed a four-week stretch when they averaged 36 points a game, and most of the offense remains intact. Ryan Henry is back at quarterback after passing for 2,243 yards, but he hopes to cut back on

KEVIN JOHNSON Ball State



BRIAN OLIVER Ball State



his nine interceptions and improve his 49 percent completion mark. Zeb Jackson departed as the MAC's top rusher (952 yards), but Courtney Davis had 298 in limited service. There is plenty of talent at wide receiver, where Rameir Martin made 56 catches and Ronne Redd averaged 20 yards on his 30 catches. Fullback Darius Card ran for 167 yards and caught 33 passes.

#### BALL STATE

The loss of quarterback Mike Neu, the MAC's Player of the Year, poses a challenge.

**PETER TUFFO** Western Michigan



for the defending conference champions. Neu's Ball State's career leader in four categories, including completion percentage (.597). The Cardinals also will miss three starting offensive linemen tackles Jose Munoz and Mike McClain and guard Lance Wildoner. Still, coach Paul Schudel claims 14 returning starters from an 8-3-1 team that went 7-0-1 in the MAC. Ball State, which didn't allow a touchdown in the final 15 quarters of the regular season, retains linebacker Kevin Johnson, who lead the MAC with 18½ tackles per game. Other veterans on defense include tackle Jermaine Daniels, who had 10 tackles for losses, ends Jack Haworth and Scott Kruger, tackle Derrick Walker, outside linebacker Aaron Graak, and cornerback Jacob Goldwane.

Tony Nibbs and Mike Blair give Ball State a solid running game and Brian Oliver and Ted Freeman were all-MAC receivers. Center Mike Freel and tackle Andy Berry started every game. Neu's successor will be picked from among third-year sophomores Brent Baldwin and Matt Knisely and redshirt freshman Joe Reedy. The Cardinals face a rough nonconference schedule with games at West Virginia and Purdue.

#### MIA

Injuries at the skill positions in 1993 weakened Miami, which struggled offensively and finished with an unexpected 4-7 record. But coach Randy Walker returns quarterback Neil Dougherty plus 12 other starters and both kickers. After a solid sophomore



**BRIAN PRUITT** Central Michigan

season in 1992, Dougherty already had thrown four touchdown passes before breaking his thumb in the second game a year ago. Two weeks later, Wince Morris's shoulder injury ended his season and true freshman Danny Smith started six of the next seven games. Smith directed the victories over Toledo and Central Michigan but is ticketed for backup duty this fall. Jeremy Patterson had 30 catches and Deland McCullough and Terry Carter combined to

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rush for 1,189 yards. Center Jeff Chabol is the hub of an offensive line that includes Bobby Johnson.

The defense is built around three-year starter Bill Atha at tackle, linebacker Johnne Williams, end Jason Phillips, and backs David Thomas and Marcus Douglas. Punter Gary Layton, who averaged 42 yards and place-kicker Chad Seitz were all-conference. The Redskins face a tough baptism this season by opening against MAC favorite Western Michigan before a nonconference game at Indiana. Two weeks later, they travel to Michigan State.

#### CENTRAL MICHIGAN

New coach Dick Flynn, who moves up from an assistant's role, replaces the winningest coach in MAC history, Herb Deromedi (110-56-10), who is now the athletic director. After 27 straight non-losing seasons, Central Michigan posted back-to-back 5-6 records which were blamed on defensive shortcomings. The Chippewas, who led the MAC in defense six times in the past 16 seasons, were next to last in total defense (382 yards per game) and last against the run. All the starters are back on the unit except all-MAC outside linebacker Mike Kyler and his running mate, Chris Castle. The line keeps Randy Danson, Dusty Preston, and Chad Preston, Brandon Bruce and Odis Jones return at inside linebacker and Tim Banks, Malcolm Thomas, Chad Murphy, and Quincy Wright in the secondary.

Quarterback Joe Youngblood must be replaced on the offense that led the MAC (423 yards per game) but senior Erik Timpl stands ready after competing 16 of 26 passes and running for 147 yards against Michigan State. Brian Pruitt rushed for 944 yards and Eric Johnson for 518. Jeremy Dunlap and Chad Koetje are established tight ends but vacancies exist at wide receiver. Veterans in the line are Scott Rehberg, Chris O'Brien, Matt Nastally, and Brock Gutierrez.

#### DAYTON

First-year coach Ron Cooper improved the Eagles' record from 1-10 in 1992 to 4-7 and believes many of the growing pains are over. "The players are much more accustomed to what we expect from them. They know more about our philosophy on both sides of the ball," he said. The major shortcoming last season was depth, but this fall there are 45 returning lettermen, including eight starters on defense and seven on offense. "We had a strong run through the middle of the season, but we were hurt by injuries and didn't have a strong backup at every spot," said the 33-year-old Cooper.

End Yusef Dibbles is the kingpin of the defense which includes tackle Shawn Williams, linebackers Reese McCaskill and Wardell Davis, and backs Maurice Reed, Vashone Adams, and Ron Rice. Michael Armour returns at quarterback and his backup, Dayna Hall, has been moved to wide receiver, as has tailback Stephen Whitfield. Marvin Greene, slowed by a knee injury, ran for 488 yards. Wide receiver Steve Clay led the MAC in kickoff returns with a 31-yard average and returned one 95 yards for a touchdown. Tackles Matt Gillette and Barry Stokes head a line that also returns guard

Leon Jefferson, center Kevin Beverly and tight end Ryan Whealey. Sophomore Wes Garner should be one of the conference's better punters.

#### DETROIT

The Rockets traditionally strong running game should return to form with the return of Casey McBeth, an all-MAC tailback in '92 and a medical redshirt after he injured a knee in the third game. When Terrence Mays and Troy Parker also were sidelined, freshman Wasean Tait took over and averaged 94 yards per game. Guards Chadd Dehn and Charlie Webb and center Pete Stone should give the runners some decent holes. Scott Brunswick's 41 receptions indicate strength at receiver where Tom Boyd had 22 catches. Ryan Huzjak and Tim Kubiak shared quarterbacking duties as freshmen and combined to complete 50 percent of their passes. They threw for 13 touchdowns but had 14 interceptions.

After leading the MAC in defense in 1992, the Rockets yielded 27 or more points seven times. They finished the season with eight freshmen in the two-deep lineup, including Matt Riesen, who had nine tackles for losses despite missing four games. Bo Recharl joins Riesen in the line where Terry Jackson and Maurice Bials will be missed. Middle linebacker Jim Gant, the leading tackler also is gone, but Aristotle Wilson and John Formentin solidify the unit. Jamal Bell is the most experienced defensive back.

#### DWYER

The Bobcats mark their 100th season of football with a road opener at Pittsburgh fol-



SAM VINK Ohio University

lowed by a home game against Las Vegas Bowl champion Utah State. Fifth-year coach Tom Lichtenberg has 16 returning starters with a goal of improving on a 4-7 record. Ohio won four of its last five which included a 34-28 loss to Western Michigan. "I think we found out how to win and what it takes to win," Lichtenberg said. "This is the first time during my tenure that we are coming into a

season with starters at every position and an attitude of confidence."

The defensive leader is a third-year starter, safety Damiso Johnson. He'll join Marcus Garnett and Tom Norvel in the secondary. Benny King and Jabaar Thompson have two years' experience at inside linebacker. "It takes five years to build a good defense. We have done it in three," coordinator Nick Toth said. Sam Vink is the quarterback after sharing time with the departed D.R. Robinson,

#### TED DRAPER Akron



CHARLIE WEBB Toledo

and Larklos Townsend will take over as the No. 1 tailback after running for 553 yards in a limited role.

#### ELKHORN

Coach Gerry Faust, who begins his ninth season in Akron, will profit from better health and some good luck. Twenty players suffered season-ending injuries in 1993 as the Zips went 5-6 overall and 4-4 in the conference. Akron led the MAC in rushing offense at 191 yards per game but was eighth in passing offense. The ground game features running back Darren Gouch and fullback Symeon Floyd. The versatile Marcel Weems must be replaced at quarterback and Matt Kaulig, who directed the Zips to a season-closing victory over Cincinnati, has the in-



DARRIEN GOUGH Akron

side track Sophomore Mike Junko and red-shirt freshman Darrell White stand in the wings A veteran offensive line features Eric Agost, Mike Lyons, Matt Rose, Ed Badingshaus, and John Thomas

Linebacker Phil Dunn, who had 174 tackles (including 98 unassisted), spearheads a defense that needs reworking. Safety Lance Cash, cornerback Ted Draper, and middle guard Morris Cosey are the only other returning starters. Akron will play all nine Mid-America teams for the first time since joining the conference in 1992

Jim Corrigall, who played at Kent 25 years ago and starred for 11 seasons with the Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League (He is a member of the CFL Hall of Fame), takes over as coach of his alma mater, the first Kent alumnus to coach the football program since Merle Wagoner (1925-32). He inherits a team that finished 0-11, which ran its five-year record to 5-50, and will attempt to instill interest in a program that drew less than 7,000 for each home

MIKE JONES TRACY RUSSELL Tennessee Tech



STREET AND SMITH'S COLLEGE FOOTBALL

game, including just 2,025 to a late-season clash with Miami of Ohio.

The Golden Flashes gave up an average of 32 points per game, but showed some glimmer of hope with three straight midseason defeats by six points or less. All-MAC linebacker Rich Yurkiewicz returns, as do defensive back Vance Benton (following reconstructive knee surgery) and linebacker Jon Durkos, who sat out half the season with a neck injury. The offense must replace two of the top three rushers, Raeshuan Jernigan and Mike Acie, who accounted for 999 yards. Fullback Omar Williams ran for 143. Corrigall hopes center Craig Peeps is healthy after an injury-checkered career

266-pounder, and Carlo Stallings return at fullback. Mark Collins should be one of the conference's better place-kickers

Chris Guyton made all-OVC after intercepting five passes and deflecting 10 others. Linebacker Carlos Timmons also was all-OVC, but Eastern Kentucky lost Chad Bratzke the league's Defensive Player of the Year. Other standouts on the unit are end Shane Bakcom, tackle Roosevelt Givens, strong safety Sheldon Walker and linebacker Emerson Weis

#### Ohio Valley Conference

##### Predictions

###### Ohio Valley Conference

1. Eastern Kentucky
2. Tennessee Tech
3. Tennessee-Martin
4. Middle Tennessee State
5. Tennessee State
6. Murray State
7. Southeast Missouri State
8. Morehead State
9. Austin Peay State

No slump is in sight for the Eastern Kentucky Colonels, who were unbeaten in the OVC and went to the Division I-AA playoffs for the 14th time in 16 years. Roy Kidd, starting his 31st season as coach, kept his entire offensive line, which includes three first-team all-conference players. He still has his starting quarterback, Greg Couch, and his top receiver, Diallo Burks, and two first-team all-OVC defensive players. But most of the attention in Richmond, KY, involves John Sacca, the former Penn State quarterback, who picked Eastern Kentucky as his final collegiate stopping point. While Sacca must beat out Couch for the starting job, his credentials alone are enough to make Eastern the league favorite. Tennessee Tech, which plays the Colonels at home, expects to make a run at the title and Middle Tennessee should bounce back after a 5-6 season

##### Eastern Kentucky

A proverbial tailback factory, Eastern Kentucky must replace two 1,000-yard rushers, Leon Brown and Mike Penman, who combined for 2,452 yards and 22 touchdowns. Sophomores Eric Clay and Robert Bouldin and redshirt freshman William Murrell are in the wings. They'll run behind all-conference linemen Joel Woods, James Hand, and Jason Combs, while Roger Orlandini and Mike Gentry will fill the other spots. Backups return at each line position. Tight end Jason Dunn is an excellent blocker, and wideout Diallo Burks caught 26 passes. Greg Couch became the starting quarterback after Ron Jones broke his arm in the second game, but John Sacca, who transferred from Penn State in midseason, joins the Colonels for his senior season. Bryan Dickerson, a

The OVC has been dominated recently by Eastern Kentucky and Middle Tennessee State, but the Golden Eagles now appear ready to contend. Tech was 8-3 and its only OVC loss was to Eastern Kentucky, 10-7. Coach Jim Ragland has 45 lettermen, including all 11 starters on offense and seven on defense

Mike Jones was the all-OVC quarterback after passing for 2,000 yards and 18 touchdowns. He was the first Tennessee Tech player to lead his league in passing in 34 years. His receivers include Steve Harris and Brad Perry, each of whom had 25 catches, and junior Gerald Bentley, who missed five games but caught 17 passes

WILLIE QUEEN Tennessee Tech



KELVIN ANDERSON SF Missouri State



Lorraine Stokes

Steven Bower and Scott Trent are prime targets at tight end. Tailbacks Willie Queen and Michael Penix each has had 1,000-yard seasons. Queen missed three games with injuries, but Penix ran for 1,037 yards last fall. Anthony Carano, Chris Madewell, and Dewayne McIntyre will share time at fullback. Guard Chris Reid and center Tracy Russel man an offensive line that includes Keith Baldwin, Mark Trent, and Mike Lyle.

Ragland lost three key members from the league's top defense: Shane Queen, Maurice Drane, and Troy Peterson. But Craig Long made all-conference at tackle, where he teams with Brian Pankey. Marcus Patton and Andrew Mathis lend strength against both the run and the pass.

#### TENNESSEE STATE

(6-5) The Pacers finished third in the OVC in their second season in Division I-AA and coach Don McLeary expects continued advancement: "We do have areas that we will need to solidify before the season begins, but are looking forward to the challenges."

Free safety Dewayne Harper is the Pacers' showpiece, a first-team all-OVC player who led the league in punt returns. He and James Brown each had four interceptions and will work with Remondia Weems and Preston Jones in the secondary. Brian Spano had 131 tackles at linebacker, where Carlton Sisco and Chris Wiley flank him. Rob Senatore and Anthony Bowles head the line which should be helped by four junior college transfers, Brad Godwin, Kevin Mawyer, Lashone Brown, and Roman Peilum.

The Pacers are six-deep at running back where Brian Gregory has the most experience. The offensive line retains J.B. Norment and Brent Luttrell but otherwise needs rebuilding. Junior college transfer Todd Mathews could push Doc Gamble at quarterback, and transfers Ulysses Trammell and Cal Daniels will support returning receivers Maurice Blakemore and Lenny Harris.

Defensive shortcomings, especially in the secondary, played a part in the Blue Raiders' fall to 5-6. Although they led the OVC in total offense, they slipped to eighth in total defense and were seventh in passing defense. Veteran coach Boots Donnelly said the team had attitude problems in 1993, when a string of 12 straight winning seasons ended. His youthful secondary gave up 15 passing touchdowns, almost as many as the Blue Raiders had allowed in the previous three seasons. Markee Tate is the only senior in the unit, and the tackles also lack experience with Mike Elles, Trent Young, and Joe Franklin on the spot. The linebacking is thin, but good things are expected from Anthony Hicks and Nathaniel Claybrooks.

The offensive line is led by Pat Hicks and James Counce, both of whom have been slowed by injuries. David Watson, Mike LaFleur, and Burt Talley also are returning starters. Kelly Holcomb is a three-year regular at quarterback and will throw to tight end Anthony McCord and wideout Dennis Mimms. Tailback Kippy Bayless ran for 1,214 yards and 15 touchdowns. Garth Petrelli, a three-time all-OVC place-kicker, takes over the punting chores.

#### THE TIGERS

The Tigers posted a 4-7 record, but six of the losses were by eight points or less. And with 17 returning starters, the potential is there for a reversal of fortune. Running back Darren Davis needs only 231 yards to become the school's career rushing leader. (Eugene Bowens ran for 1,973 in 1963-66.) Davis averaged 5.4 yards a carry en route to 772 yards last season. Nonetheless, second-year coach Bill Davis is more likely to unleash his aerial game than his ground attack. Daryl Williams completed 143 of 249 passes for 1,813 yards with Lawrence Seeger on the receiving end of 65 for 870 yards. Clarence Jones had 44 catches for 756 yards. Royce McGowan is an all-conference candidate at offensive guard.

The Tigers must replace two standout defensive backs, Randy Fuller (drafted by the Denver Broncos in the fourth round) and Brent Alexander, but retain cornerback Cedric Davis, who had 36 tackles and two interceptions. Linebacker Thomas Jackson had 94 tackles and running mate Richard Freeman had 8½ tackles for losses. The key linemen is Jim Lackey.

#### THE RACERS

The Racers played 15 true freshmen while posting a 4-7 mark in Houston Nutt's first season. Nutt has lost just 12 letterman and believes he's had good back-to-back recruiting classes. Tailback Wayne McGowan led the team in rushing (723 yards) and receiving (33 catches), but quarterback is a question mark because Butch Mosby graduated and Cory Rodney quit football. That leaves junior Benji Bona and redshirt freshman Jonathan Criswell in control. McGowan will be backed up by Tim Scarborough, Tony Turner, and Timmy Bland, with Bland also a capable wide receiver. David McCann replaces David Cox at fullback. All-OVC tight end Xavier Sheppard returns to a line led by center Mike Gossett and guard Marcus Kimbrell.

Nutt feels good about his defense, which retains six starters. "The difference is night and day. We should be much better in 1994," he said. Anthony Hutch anchors the line, which includes Jimmy Stratton, Bill Christmas, Carlos Ransey, and Jeff Hornack. Junior college transfers Lamond Dean and Derrick Atchley will start at linebacker, where Chad Gann also remains. The secondary is young but experienced and features Larry Kendall, Reuel Shepherd, William Hampton, and Elliott Dunn.

#### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE

Southeast Missouri picked up some momentum by winning its last two games and three of its final four but still settled for a 3-8 record. Coach John Mumford's hopes of climbing to a higher level rest on an experienced defense and the ability of Kelvin Anderson to recover from a knee injury. Anderson rushed for 1,016 yards and seven touchdowns last season, but he underwent surgery late in spring drills to have ligaments reattached to the bone. Anderson is expected to be ready for the fall. He will be backed up by Warren Richardson, who ran for 110 yards in 13 carries in the final spring scrimmage. Quarterback Shane Kennedy threw

for 851 yards and ran for 317 a year ago. He has several experienced receivers, including Jon Riley who averaged 27 yards on 23 kickoff returns.

End Doug Berg, who had 11 tackles for losses among his 103 stops, secures the defense. Bryan Morrison is a solid linebacker and the line also features Cordez Vaughn, Albert Bateman and Angel Rubio. "I think our defensive front has the ability to be one of the best in the Ohio Valley Conference. Our secondary really solidified during spring drills," Mumford said.

The highlight of the schedule includes a November 12 date at Hawaii.

#### MARYLAND STATE

Matt Ballard, a former MSU defensive coordinator, stepped in as interim coach last spring and vowed to start from ground zero. He has 20 lettermen and 11 returning starters from a 3-8 team. Eight of the top nine rushers are back, including Darrel Cross, Pete Ruby, and Roniae Bass. Fullback Phil Dunn graduated, but Frank Diaz and Loren Williams are experienced. Jerry Stevens and Matt Venturino lead a receiving corps that includes Tyron Davis and Ray Williams, who has been moved from quarterback. Mike Appel, a backup in '93, has dibs on light end. All-OVC guard Todd Nease is the best of four returning starters in the offensive line. Mike Snell, Stuart Cook and Alan McPherson remain, and redshirt freshmen Kyle Henson and Adam Conn figure in Ballard's plans. J.P. Blair, who came to Morehead as a baseball recruit, will battle Brandon Pasquale and Justin Wessel at quarterback.

The secondary appears strong with James Scott, Hector Diaz and Derick Pinkney. Eric Pitts and Gerald Lewis are veteran outside linebackers, but the inside spots must be filled. Mike Conner and Alex Rodriguez head the line.

#### GOVERNORS

Governors coach Roy Gregory believes better offensive execution and better tackling is paramount in Austin Peay's recovering from a 1-10 effort. He thinks he has the best team speed in several seasons and sees improvement at the skill positions.

The Governors have seven defenders back from the unit that yielded 246 yards per game. The most experienced linemen are Brian Harvey, Jacob Luthardt, Marcus Watkins, and Aaron Gray. Preston Harris is the only inside linebacker with experience and Jeff Gooch's move from quarterback will help the outside linebackers, who include Dennis Friendy and Leon Hite. Michael Swift is the kingpin of a veteran secondary that numbers Arthur King, Leonardo Thompson, James Loyd, and Kirk Pointer.

Sophomores Jesse Smith and Chris Horton are quick tailbacks operating out of a wishbone offense that probably will be directed by quarterback Daniel Williams. He was redshirted last year after an eligibility question persisted over several games and could be challenged by senior David Stocksbury and redshirt freshman Chris Wiggins. Tight end David Wilson, a 260-pounder, is used mostly as a blocker. The line must be retooled because tackle Neal Booker is the lone returning starter.

# rockies

BY LEE BENSON



JOHN WALSH  
Brigham Young

## predictions

western athletic conference

1. Brigham Young
2. Colorado State
3. New Mexico
4. Utah
5. Fresno State
6. Wyoming
7. San Diego State
8. Air Force
9. Hawaii
10. UTEP

## western athletic conference

### WYOMING YOUNG

(6-6) The Cougars had their string of 19 straight seasons above 500 snapped, but not their streak of bowl games, which climbed to 16, nor their WAC title streak, which now stands at five. The winter might have been even longer for BYU had it not been for a happy ending against Ohio State in the Holiday Bowl. It's true, the Cougars lost that game, 28-21, but the defeat came only after a potential game-tying touchdown pass was dropped in the end zone in the closing seconds. In all, the Cougars gave the heavily favored Buckeyes much more than they bargained for and it left BYU coach LaVell Edwards optimistic about the future. "It was almost like we won the bowl game," he said. "It really improved morale."

With John Walsh back at quarterback, and a dozen starters returning on both sides of the ball, another league tie and bowl trip are distinct possibilities. BYU's passing attack seems as healthy as ever. The Cougars ranked second in the nation last season with 369 passing yards per game as Walsh threw for 3,727 yards and 28 touchdowns. He is joined in the backfield by senior tailback Jamal Willis, who is still looking for an injury-free season to fulfill high expectations. Bryce Doman expects to fill the void left by Eric Drage, the school's all-time leading receiver. Virtually the entire offensive line returns, led by Evan Pilgrim, Jim Edwards, and Eli Herring, along with two quality tight ends in Terence Saluone and Chad Lewis.

The tough part for BYU will be to shore up the confidence of a sagging defense that gave up 475.7 yards per game, ranking 104th in the nation. Seven starters return but none with job guarantees. In the spring a number of shifts took place and competition should continue throughout August. Mainstay ends Travis Hall and Randy Brock and linebacker Shay Murbrook are joined by a number of JC transfers, including brothers

**STONEY CASE** New Mexico



David Benkert

Star and John Raass and Mike Uluale, all of whom won preliminary starting roles.

There will be no easing into the conference race for the Cougars. They play at Hawaii and at Air Force in their first two games and follow with two more WAC games in Provo against Colorado State and New Mexico.

#### COLORADO STATE

Coach Sonny Lubick enters his second year with the Rams surrounded by 17 returning starters, memories of a three-game winning streak from the end of '93, and as much optimism as ever in Fort Collins. The Rams, who have never won a WAC football title appear to have as good a chance to win the league this fall as they did four years ago when they came within one game of Brigham Young.

On defense they're led by two all-conference players, safety Greg Myers (who was also first-team all-WAC as a return specialist) and defensive tackle Steve Hodge, as well as by linebacker Kenya Ragsdale, the team's leading tackler. The offense returns senior quarterback Anthony Hill, a two-year starter who will be fronted by a veteran line anchored by center Pat Meyer and backed by tailbacks E.J. Watson and Leonice Brown, who are scheduled to rotate in Lubick's single-back attack. Juco transfer Donovan Burks had a good spring and will join last year's top three receivers, Eric Olsen, Paul Turner, and Terrence Zeno.

Probably the best thing going for Lubick's Rams is the knowledge that not only did they survive their 1993 schedule (one that included seven 92 bowl participants and five that went on to '93 bowls), but they came on strong at the end. Playing with a majority of

**MIKE McCOY** Utah



squads went 7-3 and 6-3-2 has New Mexico football enjoyed back-to-back success. There is ample reason to believe that coach Dennis Franchione in just his third year on the job, will put the Lobos in position to challenge for the league title. Last year's 6-5 mark made a lot of believers, particularly since that record could conceivably have been 10-1. The Lobos lost by three points to both Brigham Young and San Diego State and by one to both TCU and Fresno State. It will mean that no one will take the Lobos lightly now that they've assumed, if not heavyweight, at least middleweight status.

Certainly no one will have to be introduced to senior quarterback Stoney Case, one of the country's most versatile performers. He passed for 2,490 yards and 17 touchdowns and ran for 329 yards and 14 TDs last fall. Case will again be joined in the backfield by 5-8, 172-pound Winslow Oliver, who had 648 yards rushing in just nine games because of injuries. Case and Oliver will be playing behind an almost entirely new, albeit bigger and perhaps better, line. The Lobos could average 300 pounds across the front. In all, nine starters return and all are seniors. That includes five defenders linemen Buddy Billingsley and Damon Burress, linebackers Dan Coverly and Boston Thomas, and cornerback Charles Butler. Among the newcomers, junior college wide receiver Steve Pagador looked good in the spring.

The Lobos hope to sell 12,000 season tickets by the time the games get underway. That would amount to a 200 percent increase over just three years ago.

#### UTAH

Already, Ron McBride is entering his fifth season at Utah, even if the coach says it seems as though he took over only yesterday. Time flies when you're going to bowl games. The Utes have gone to two straight now, the Copper in 1992 and the Freedom a year ago, while breaking a 28-year bowl drought in the process. Close losses in both bowls, to Washington State and Southern Cal, respectively, have only served to whet the Utes' appetite. It's hard to keep a program on the nose down, and Utah is clearly a program on the rise.

With 13 starters returning, including quarterback Mike McCoy, the momentum doesn't

**RYAN CHRISTOPHERSON** Wyoming



underclassmen, the Rams beat an improving New Mexico team, then shut out UTEP, 52-0, and defeated bowl-bound Wyoming, 42-21, making their last three games memorable. That bodes well for the future, even if the tough schedule continues. Six of the 1994 opponents are coming off bowl seasons and the WAC schedule includes road stops at Colorado State and BYU.

**NEW MEXICO**

The Lobos are coming off their first winning record in 11 years and will be trying for their first consecutive winning seasons in almost a quarter of a century. Not since the 1970-71

figure to slow down this fall. Still, the Utes have a big hole to fill in trying to replace bruising running back Jamal Anderson. It was largely Anderson's dominance last season that carried the Utes to five victories in their last six games and got them into the Freedom Bowl. When the Utes needed yards they turned to Anderson, and it was his threat that opened up McCoy's prolific passing (3,860 yards and 21 touchdowns). Seniors Henry Lusk and Charlie Brown and Robert Hamilton, a junior college transfer who sat out last season, are the top candidates to replace Anderson. In the fall, freshmen Juan Johnson and Sylvester Cooperwood will also join the competition. The top receiver coming back is senior Deron Claborn, who caught 42 passes in 1993. The offensive line is led by all-WAC Lance Scott and the punting is in good shape in the form of senior Jason Jones, who averaged 41 yards last season. Mark Rexford is back at linebacker after topping the Utes in tackles, and Ernest Boyd, who led the WAC with six interceptions, heads a group of three defensive backs returning.

The Utes open the season with three non-league games and won't begin WAC play until September 24 at home against Wyoming. The schedule appears favorable, with BYU and Hawaii also in Salt Lake City, and no game this season against Fresno State.

**PICKING THE WAC CHAMPION**

Picking the Bulldogs to finish fifth in the WAC is not easy. It flies in the face of all tradition. Fresno State has been a WAC member for two seasons, and both times it has tied for the title. But being favored probably wouldn't sit well with the Bulldogs. They haven't been the favorites in either of the past two years. Still, there are rebuilding problems that even the most ardent booster can't overlook. Not only must quarterback Trent Dilfer, the nation's top passer, be replaced, but so must four others whose names appeared on the NFL draft list. After Dilfer was grabbed in the first round by Tampa Bay, split end Tydus Winans and flanker Malcolm Seabron were taken in the third round by Washington and Houston, respectively. Cornerback James Burton was taken in the fifth by Kansas City, which then took tailback Anthony Daigle in the next round. Only Notre Dame, Alabama, Colorado, Florida,

da State and Texas A&M had more players drafted last April. Also out of eligibility is place-kicker Derek Mahoney the school's all-time scoring leader.

Just three starters, led by leading receiver Charlie Jones (47 for 897 yards), return to an offense that averaged 533 yards per game in 1993. Replacing Difer is the biggest task and Adrian Claiborne edged in front of a three-man pack with a 14-of-18, 149-yard one-touchdown performance in the spring game. Richie Donati and Jeff Tuss will be Nos. 2 and 3 going into the fall. Mike Pittman had an excellent spring at running back, as did wide receiver David Dunn and tight end Warren Fortier, a redshirt freshman.

With six starters back, the defense dominated the offense in the early outings—something not seen very often in Fresno—as veterans such as linebacker Ron Papazian, the team's leading tackler, and backs Lance Thomas and Omar Stoutmire meshed well with new defensive coordinator Leon Burnett, once the head coach at Purdue. All-WAC center Jason James (6-5, 305) was moved to right tackle to beef up that side of the line, where he will team with guard Dan Han (6-4, 310). Sophomore Gary Osmundson had a good spring and will be the new starter at center.

DAVID DUNN Fresno State

brightest point on offense is the return of running back Ryan Christopherson, the No. 4 rusher in the WAC (1,014 yards).

With six starters back on defense, led by linemen Brent Schieffer and Tyrone Williams, linebacker Ryan Folsom and cornerback Steve Hendrix, that's the stronger side of the ball going into the season. Jim Talich, a redshirt freshman, had a good spring at middle linebacker and a pair of junior college transfers, linebacker Jason Holanda and defensive back Randy Karlner, should make an immediate impact.

The Cowboys got a break by drawing a bye this season with Brigham Young. A non-conference schedule that includes Nebraska, Oregon State, and Tulsa should help prepare Tiller's team for the second half of the schedule, dominated by WAC games.

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Other than losing Marshall Faulk, one of the most prolific runners in NCAA history, to the NFL, other than breaking in an almost totally new coaching staff, other than trying to figure out how to come up with an encore for wide receiver extraordinaire Darnay Scott, the San Diego State Aztecs spent an uneventful offseason.

The Ted Tollar era begins this season in San Diego and it won't be hard distinguishing it from the Al Luginbill era. Just eight starters return. Rebuilding will be the order of the day, on almost all fronts. The brightest spots are at quarterback, where Tim Gutierrez returns for his senior season as one of the best passers in the WAC and the nation, and at running back, where Wayne Pittman figures to emerge out of the Faulk shadow he played in the past three seasons. As a mostly little-used backup behind Faulk, Pittman still managed to rush for 1,237 yards in three seasons. At receiver, redshirt freshman Will Blackwell is the projected heir apparent to the great Scott. Defensively, sack leaders LaRoi Glover, Doug Tom, and James Duff anchor a veteran line.

The key to the mix is Tollar, a coach with plenty of experience, including a 1973-1980 stint at San Diego State as offensive coordinator to head coach Claude Gilbert. He moved on to serve one year as an assistant at BYU, was the head coach at Southern Cal for four years, and went to the NFL, where he spent time with the Buffalo Bills, San Diego Chargers, and Los Angeles Rams. Tollar has made a career out of working with, and helping to develop, a number of outstanding quarterbacks, including Jesse Freitas and Craig Penrose at San Diego State and Jim McMahon at BYU. While with the Bills he helped establish their no-huddle offense, a tactic the Aztecs will also use. Tollar's offensive coordinator will be Tom Craft, an Aztec quarterback he coached in the '70s. Craft directed a pair of national junior college championships the past three seasons at Palomar Junior College in northern San Diego County. The Aztecs' new defensive coordinator will be Steve Shafer, also a member of the old Claude Gilbert staff and most recently an NFL aide.

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The Academy saw a four-year bowl streak come to an end in 1993 as it suffered through an uncharacteristic losing (4-8) sea-

son. The Falcons weren't blown out in any of their games. Indeed, they were in almost every one, but victories had a way of eluding them. Fisher DeBerry, whose 11th season will give him the third-longest coaching tenure in league history (behind BYU's LaVell Edwards, who is entering his 23rd season, and former ASU coach Frank Kush, who coached in the WAC for 16 years), does not plan to hit any panic buttons, however. He will stay with the wishbone offense that sets Air Force apart from the rest of the conference and has been very productive for the Academy for most of the past two decades. Junior Demond Cash brings experience to the quarterback position and he'll be flanked, as he was last year, by fullback Jake Maloy. The only other returning offensive starters are wide receiver Richie Marsh and left guard Jim Moore, so it will be a matter of regrouping for the offense.

Leading returning tackler Steve Russ and sack artist Johnny Harrison are the backbone of the defense, which also returns tackle Erik Davis and the entire secondary: cornerbacks Brian Watkins and Kevin Williams and safeties Kelvin King and LeRon Hudgins. It is a veteran unit which could be the league's best. The early-season schedule calls for a quick start, with conference home games against top contenders Colorado State and Brigham Young.

## HAWAII

Eight of the Rainbow Warriors' 12 games will be in Honolulu, which this year not only says something about the popularity of the Islands, but about the desirability of Hawaii as an opponent. This could be a rough one for the Warriors. Three-year quarterback Michael Carter and most of the rest of the offense graduated, as did the bulk of the defense from a 1993 team that finished 6-6.

Taking over for Carter will be two-year letterman Rodney Glover, sophomore Glenn Freitas, or redshirt freshman Johnny Macon. None emerged as the clearcut No. 1 after spring practice but all showed promise. Whoever plays will be glad to see an offensive line that should be one of Hawaii's bright spots. Tackles Kendall Goo and Kelly McGill are returning regulars and redshirt freshman guard Dewey Reed had a good spring. Calvin Melvin, last year's leading rusher (831 yards), is also a bright spot. Another back with promise, juco transfer Brett Washington, sat out the spring to recover from injuries. Wide receiver Clint Kuboyama returned home after playing for two seasons at Boston College.

Defensively, it won't be easy to replace lineman Taase Faumu, a fourth-round draft choice of the Pittsburgh Steelers. There are three first-teamers back in the secondary (Dimitreus Henderson, Carlos Anderson, and Jason Ross) but just one in the line (tackle Nalei Cox) and one at linebacker (Victor Santa Cruz).

The season starts with a bang, with WAC favorite Brigham Young in town for the opener on September 3.

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Head coach Charlie Bailey took over from David Lee after three games of a 1993 season that wound up 1-11. The Miners are hoping that Bailey will have the same kind of



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It isn't that the Cowboys don't have experience and depth after their 8-4 season and Copper Bowl appearance. Indeed, coach Joe Tiller has 10 starters returning, as well as both kickers. The problem is quarterback Joe Hughes and wide receiver Ryan Yarbrough aren't among them. Hughes and Yarbrough were the heart and soul of the offense and their departures left for an anxious spring. Senior John Gustin Hughes's backup the past two seasons, emerged as the starter after throwing for 190 yards and a touchdown in the spring game. Close behind, and still in contention going into the fall, are freshmen Jeremy Dombek, an Oklahoman from Troy Aikman's old high school who broke all of Aikman's records, and Kelley Pratt. Eddie Pratt and Brent Tillman, who combined for 43 catches in '93 (compared with Yarbrough's 67), will be counted on to take up the slack left by Yarbrough's exit. The 'Pokes must also replace all-WAC tight end Mike Jones and his 69 receptions. The

success in El Paso that he had at Memphis State, where he took a program that started out 1-10 in 1986 and guided it to a 6-5-1 record in 1988.

Bailey and new offensive coordinator Pete Kuharchek scrapped the predominant running game favored by Lee and instituted a pro-set offense that will try to balance passing and running. Nine starters return, but as the spring onus indicated, all of them may not wind up starting. Shawn Gray and Leonard Lilja will compete at quarterback with two heralded freshman recruits out of Texas John Rayborn and Matt Hickl who reportedly signed on with the Miners because of the lure of a possible instant starting assignment. Probably the top returnee for the Miners is place-kicker Marshall Young, who has connected on 19 of 22 field-goal attempts.

New defensive coordinator Darrall Dickey will welcome junior college transfer Frank Ruffner, who sat out last year. Ruffner could have an immediate impact on the defensive line, while Kevin Goolsby and Greg Shead, with seven interceptions between them a year ago, head a secondary that has some experience, always good news in the pass-happy WAC.

### **big sky conference**

#### **predictions**

##### **big sky conference**

1. Montana
2. Idaho
3. Montana State
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5. Eastern Washington
6. Northern Arizona
7. Idaho State
8. Weber State

It is business as usual in the Big Sky Conference this fall. Montana and Idaho, the usual top contenders, look to be tougher than ever to dislodge. Both can entertain Division I-AA national championship thoughts. With 15 starters returning, including junior quarterback Dave Dickenson, last year's Big Sky Offensive Player of the Year, Montana would be the odds-on favorite even if it didn't have a record seven home games on its schedule.

The Grizzlies not only come into the 1994 season loaded with 15 returning starters and the best quarterback in the league, they are also perturbed. Their 49-48 loss to Delaware in the opening round of the Division I-AA playoffs didn't sit well when it happened, and the winter only made it worse. After winning such high-octane shootouts all season (their only loss was 35-30 to Division I-A Oregon), they picked a fine time to lose one.

Redemption could be theirs this season. Not only is the quarterback, Big Sky Offensive Player of the Year Dave Dickenson back, but so is his personal bodyguard, in the estimable form of 6-9, 305-pound offensive tackle Scott Gragg. After running a 5.2 40 for the pro scouts last spring, Gragg could be Montana's biggest attraction next to Yellowstone this fall. Then there's inside linebacker Dan Downs, a senior who has

already been all-Big Sky twice and will join Dickenson, who led the country in total offense and beat out Idaho's Doug Nussmeier for Player of the Year honors a year ago, and Gragg as bona fide All-America candidates. The list goes on and on. If Montana could ever say it's loaded, this is the year. Even the recruits brought in by head coach Don Read are strong: wide receiver Ryan Blanchard, cornerback Billy Ivey, and defensive tackle Marty Duffin, a likely starter.

Also on the plus side is the fact that both Idaho (the perennial Big Sky team to beat) and archrival Montana State must play in Missoula this season. They won't be alone. A record seven home games are scheduled for Washington-Grizzly Stadium. That includes a September 10 contest against Carson Newman of Tennessee. Originally the Grizzlies were scheduled to travel to Kansas State that week, but by mutual agreement the game was cancelled.

DAVE DICKENSON Montana



Few programs in the country, at any level, can boast the kind of success Idaho has had over the past dozen seasons, which is how far you have to go back to find a won-lost record below .500. Last year's 11-3 effort and surge to the semifinal round of the Division I-AA playoffs—where the Vandals lost, 35-16, to eventual national champion Youngstown State—was the rule rather than the exception. The only smear on the record was the relinquishing of the conference title to Montana. Two league losses did in coach John L. Smith's Vandals, one by five points at Montana State and one by an aberrational 20 points to Montana at home. Other than that it was a dream season featuring a 28-17 victory over Utah, a Division I-A program that would wind up in the Freedom Bowl, and six offensive performances that produced 49 points or more. The highlights were a 77-14 routing of Lehigh at homecoming on November 13, and a 56-0 defeat of Weber State.

Like Montana, Idaho returns 15 starters this season and should contend for both conference and national championship honors. A glaring gap is at quarterback, however, where replacing the prolific Doug Nussmeier, last year's Walter Payton Award winner,

won't be easy. Spring practices identified the two likeliest heirs apparent as junior Eric Hisaw, Nussmeier's backup the past two seasons, and redshirt freshman Brian Brennan. The best news for Idaho is the return of running back Sherden May, the Big Sky's leading rusher last fall. May averaged 115.2 yards per game, but because of Idaho's penchant for blowing teams out early, he often averaged most of that in the first half. He's joined in the backfield by Joel Thomas, another capable runner. Wide receiver Kyle Gary is a proven veteran, along with Jim Mills, the lone returning starter on the line. With nine returning regulars, Idaho should be improved defensively. Linebackers Jason Shelt and Duke Garrett and linemen Ryan Phillips and Ahmani Johnson are the mainstays.

The turnaround came quickly. In Cliff Hysell's second season as head coach, the Bobcats produced a 7-4 record, their first winning effort since 1984, the year MSU won the national championship. The Cats' 4-3 conference mark gave them a fourth-place finish in the Big Sky, also a high-water mark since '84. Hysell, who produced a 4-7 effort in his rookie season of 1992, was named the District V Coach of the Year by Kodak and the Bobcats were stamped as a program on the rise.

With 15 returning starters this season, that rise should continue. No one in the Big Sky is



SCOTT GRAGG Montana

yawning when Montana State's name comes up anymore. Quarterback Brock Spencer, one of eight starters back on offense, wound up averaging 201 yards of total offense. Behind him is proven backup Ryan Groves. Tailbacks Clint Morton and Fred Moore, a tandem that combined for nearly 2,000 yards, return, as does fullback T.T. Ryan. The top receiver is Eric Hopkins, and redshirt Kenyatta Morgan adds more

speed to the position. Filling holes on the offensive line remains the biggest challenge heading into fall. The defense is young but experienced. Seven starters are back, led by free safety Mark Grimmer, whose seven interceptions ranked him first in the Big Sky in '93 and eighth in the nation. End Jason Hicks, the unofficial Big Sky sack leader (14), was a third-team All-America.

The most sobering part of the upcoming season is the fact that among the road trips are visits to league leaders Idaho and Montana. The 'Cats will be able to ease into the conference schedule with nonconference early games against Minnesota-Duluth and Stephen F Austin.

#### BOISE STATE

It was a tough baptism for Pokey Allen who found more questions than answers in his first year as Boise State's head coach. The Broncos suffered through a 3-8 season (1-6 and seventh place in the Big Sky), their worst in history. Losing seasons are a rare commodity in Boise, where there have been just four since the end of World War II. The chief problem is '93 was adjusting to Allen's pass-oriented system despite glaring personnel weaknesses, particularly along the offensive line. It was no surprise when Allen and his staff hit the recruiting trail minutes after the final loss in search of immediate help. Fifteen junior college transfers were signed, many of them offensive linemen. Four (Alex Toyos, Paul Coffman, Keith Jeffery, and Steve Bushey) won starting jobs in spring drills. Only John Miller, last year's left guard, will be a familiar face this fall. Sophomore Tony Hilde is back at quarterback. Both starting running backs, Prentce Stephens and Brandon Ferguson, also return but they'll have to make room for K.C. Adams, an academic casualty last fall who raised eyebrows in the spring game with 57 receiving yards and 73 yards rushing.

The defense features seven returning regulars and is anchored by end Joe O'Brien (6-2, 258), whom the coaches had to take out of the spring game because he was stopping the offense from doing anything. The Broncos don't know whether that was a bad or a good sign. They'll have to wait till the fall to find out.

#### EASTERN WASHINGTON

Dick Zornes went out on a high note as the Eagles went 7-3 in '93 (5-2 in the Big Sky), bringing his career ledger to 89-66-2. The new coach, 39-year-old Mike Kramer assisted Zornes for five years and will be no stranger to the Eagles' schemes, either defensively or offensively. With 14 starters returning, seven on each side of the ball, the prospects for another winning season are good, although a number of top players—including linebacker Jason Marsh, the conference Defensive Player of the Year, and All-America wide receiver Tony Brooks—will have to be replaced. The strength of the team could be the defense, where the entire line, led by all-Big Sky tackle Craig Steinmetz, returns, as well as two linebackers. Only the secondary is lean, and Kramer worked the junior colleges for recruits.

On offense, incumbent quarterback Todd Bennett leads the returnees. As was the case

last year, Bennett is expected to give way to his backup, Torrey Smith, in short-yardage situations. Jason Anderson, one of the league's most talented receivers (33 catches for six TDs), also returns, as does David Lewis, a running back who, despite a number of recurring injuries, has rushed for 988 yards over the past two seasons. Two JC transfers, Rex Prescott and Joe Sewell, were added in the spring and looked good. The most decorated individual should be guard Harold Fox (6-4, 298), who was an AP second-team All-America last fall as Eastern ranked 18th in the nation in passing offense and 31st in total offense.

Kramer's inauguration will take place September 10 against Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo. His Big Sky debut will be the following week at Montana.

The high note for the Lumberjacks is that they're coming off a 7-4 campaign. The low note is they lost four of their last five games. Lots of questions surrounded the program as coach Steve Axman enters his fifth year. Will the team that opened 1993 with six straight victories show up, or will it be the



JASON ANDERSON Eastern Washington

team that only averted a five-game losing streak at the end of the season by pasting Valparaiso 55-13?

Lots of starters return, 15 in all, and that includes all the skill positions except tight end. Quarterback Jeff Lewis is back after throwing for 15 touchdowns and 2,497 yards last year as a sophomore. He had just six interceptions in 335 attempts. The backfield includes halfbacks Len Raney and Brian Galbreath plus junior college transfer Claude Torrey, who had an impressive spring. Wide receiver Rod Alexander caught 48 passes for 871 yards. Defensively, the entire secondary returns—always a good sign in the Big Sky—as well as two strong linemen in end Frank Romano and tackle Chris West. Defensive back Jeff Bergman led the Jacks' "Grinding Stone" defense with 111 tackles last fall. Among the newcomers, redshirt freshman Ryan Lingenfelder was most impressive in spring drills as he won the starting job at center. Also, inside linebacker James Taylor, a JC transfer, was a pleasant surprise.

#### BIG SKY

It will be hard to tell the 1994 Bengals from the 1993 Bengals even if 12 starters are returning, including nine on the offensive side. After a 2-9 season that included an 0-7 mark in the Big Sky, coach Brian McNeeley is changing everything. On offense, the Bengals will switch from their traditional option attack to a no-huddle shotgun spread. On defense, under new coordinator Rob Bolks, they'll change to a 4-4-3 alignment, with both outside linebackers taking on safety-like responsibility.

Consistent with all this change was the switch of tailback Alfredo Anderson, all-Big Sky last year as a freshman, back to quarterback, his original position. Anderson played four games at quarterback a year ago before moving to tailback, where he set a school rushing record with 1,159 yards and a 7.2-yard average. Taking his place at running back will be sophomore Kyle Simmons, senior Chad Kay (last year's fullback), or junior college transfer Thomas Washington, a former Florida high school all-stater who has size and speed. The best reason for optimism with the new offense is a receiving group that includes all-Big Sky pick Sam Carter, Rommie Wheeler, and 245-pound tight end Josh Gibbs.

The defense returns only three starters, and it's likely junior college transfer Derrick Carter will emerge as the leader at his inside linebacker position. Another JC transfer, Ike Johnson, should make an immediate impact as well. Josh Brown, who played inside linebacker last fall, was moved to strong safety in the spring and responded by intercepting six passes in four scrimmages.

#### WEBER STATE

It's one thing to have to go into the offseason worrying about losing your quarterback or maybe even your whole offense. It's another to think you might possibly lose your program. Such was the sobering circumstance that faced the Weber football department at the end of the 1993, when the school president and board of regents questioned whether Weber State should continue fielding a football team. After averaging just 4,812 fans at a record seven home games in Ogden, the powers that be became concerned at the lack of fan support—and the resultant financial losses estimated to be over a quarter of a million dollars. Only after a grass-roots Save-the-Wildcats campaign was mounted did the administration give the O.K. for more football in '94.

The turmoil did result in casualties, however. The two biggest impact players of 1993, quarterback Brad Ott and running back Markeith Ross, left before the issue was ever resolved. Ott, who threw for 2,307 yards and 15 touchdowns in just seven starts, transferred to USC and Ross, who set a single-game school record when he rushed for 280 yards against Nevada, transferred to San Diego State. Both will have to sit out this season before resuming their playing careers. Head coach Dave Arslanian is left with their holes to fill, as well as plenty of others as only five starters are back. Among the best of the returnees are defensive back/linebacker Rob Hitchcock and 255-pound tight end Pat McNeely. □

## Television Schedule

**Sunday, August 28**  
Nebraska vs West Virgin 2:00 PM (ABC)

**Monday, August 29**  
Ohio State vs Fresno State 9:00 PM (Raycom)

**Thursday, September 1**  
Arizona at Georg Tech 8:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, September 3**

Virginia at Florida State 3:30 PM (ABC)  
Boston College at Michigan 3:30 PM (ABC)  
Washington at Southern Cal 3:30 PM (ABC)  
Notre Dame at Northwestern 8:00 PM (ABC)  
Tennessee at UCLA 8:00 PM (ABC)

**Thursday, September 8**  
Nebraska at Texas Tech 8:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, September 10**  
Michigan at Notre Dame 3:00 PM (NBC)  
Southern Cal at Penn State 3:30 PM (ABC)

**Ohio State at Washington 3:30 PM (ABC)**

**Thursday, September 15**  
Army at Duke 8:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, September 17**  
UCLA at Nebraska 3:30 PM (ABC)  
Notre Dame at Michigan State 3:30 PM (ABC)

**Thursday, September 22**  
West Virginia at Virginia Tech 8:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, September 24**  
Purdue at Notre Dame 3:00 PM (NBC)

**Thursday, September 29**  
Kentucky at Auburn 8:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, October 1**  
Starford at Notre Dame 1:30 PM (NBC)

**Thursday, October 6**  
Kansas State at Kansas 8:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, October 15**  
Ohio State at Michigan State 12:00 Noon (ABC)

Brigham Young at Notre Dame 1:30 PM (NBC)

**Saturday, October 29**  
Wisconsin at Michigan 12:00 Noon (ABC)

Navy at Notre Dame 1:30 PM (NBC)

**Thursday, November 3**  
Boston College at Louisville (ESPN)

**Thursday, November 10**  
San Diego State at Brigham Young 8:00 (ESPN)

**Saturday, November 19**  
Michigan at Ohio State 12:00 Noon (ABC)

Air Force at Notre Dame 1:30 PM (NBC)

**Thursday, November 24**  
Texas at Baylor 11:00 AM (ABC)

**Friday, November 25**  
North Carolina State at Virginia 11:00 AM (ABC)

Texas Tech at Texas Christian 11:00 AM (ABC)

Nebraska at Oklahoma 2:30 PM (ABC)

Arizona State at Arizona 6:00 PM (ABC)

**Saturday, November 26**  
Grambling vs Southern 2:00 PM (NBC)

Notre Dame at Southern Cal 8:00 PM (ABC)

**Saturday, December 3**

Army vs Navy 12:00 Noon (ABC)  
SEC Champion Game 3:30 PM (ABC)

**Thursday, December 15**

Las Vegas Bowl 9:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, December 17**  
Division AA Championship Game

1:00 PM (CBS)

**Sunday, December 25**

Blue Gray Classic 12:00 Noon (ABC)  
Asha Bowl 3:30 PM (ABC)

**Wednesday, December 28**

Independence Bowl 8:30 PM (ESPN)

**Thursday, December 29**

Copper Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

**Friday, December 30**

John Hancock Bowl 2:30 PM (CBS)

Holiday Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, December 31**

Liberity Bowl 2:00 PM (ESPN)

Alamo Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Fiesta Bowl 1:00 PM (ABC)

Rose Bowl 4:30 PM (ABC)

Gator Bowl 7:30 PM (TBS)

Peach Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Orange Bowl 8:30 PM (NBC)

Sugar Bowl 8:30 PM (ABC)

**Monday, January 2**

Hall of Fame Bowl 11:00 AM (ESPN)

Cardinal Bowl 1:30 PM (CBS)

**Saturday, January 14**

East West Shrine Game 4:00 PM (ESPN)

**Saturday, January 21**

Senior Bowl 1:30 PM (ESPN)

**Sunday, January 22**

Hula Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

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**ARIZONA** Tucson, AZ

S. 1 Georgia Tech*	
S. 10 New Mexico State+*	27-24
S. 24 Stanford	27-24
O. 1 Oregon State+*	33-0
O. 8 Colorado State+*	9-6
O. 15 Washington State	17-37
O. 22 UCLA+*	17-37
O. 29 Oregon	31-10
N. 5 California+*	20-24
N. 12 Southern Cal	38-7
N. 19 Arizona State+*	34-20

Coach: Dick Tomey • Colors: Cardinal & Navy  
Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 10-2

**ARIZONA STATE** Tempe, AZ

S. 3 Oregon State+*	14-30
S. 10 Miami+*	17-35
S. 17 Louisville+*	41-0
S. 24 California	35-30
O. 8 Stanford+*	32-17
O. 22 Washington State+*	25-44
O. 29 Brigham Young	38-45
N. 5 Oregon	9-3
N. 12 UCLA+*	20-34

Coach: Bruce Snyder • Colors: Maroon & Gold  
Nickname: Sun Devils • 1993 Record: 6-5

**ARKANSAS** Fayetteville, AR

S. 3 Southern Methodist+*	10-6
S. 10 South Carolina	18-17
S. 17 Alabama+*	3-43
S. 24 Memphis State	0-6
O. 1 Vanderbilt+*	14-28
O. 8 Tennessee	0-19
O. 15 Mississippi+	21-31
N. 5 Mississippi State	13-13
N. 12 Northern Illinois+	42-24

Coach: Danny Ford • Colors: Cardinal & White  
Nickname: Razorbacks • 1993 Record: 5-5-1

**ARKANSAS STATE** Jonesboro, AR

S. 3 Virginia Tech*	
S. 10 Nevada	23-21
S. 17 Southern Illinois+*	27-6
S. 24 New Mexico State	19-22
O. 1 Mississippi State	15-15
O. 8 SW Louisiana	3-19
O. 15 Memphis+*	3-45
O. 22 Pacific+*	6-20
N. 5 Northern Illinois+	7-23
N. 12 Colorado State	
N. 19 Louisiana Tech+*	3-17

Coach: John Bobo • Colors: Scarlet & Black  
Nickname: Indians • 1993 Record: 2-8-1

**ARMY** West Point, NY

S. 10 Holy Cross+*	
S. 15 Duke+*	21-42
S. 24 Temple+*	56-21
O. 1 Wake Forest	
O. 8 Rutgers	38-45
O. 15 Louisville+*	
O. 22 The Citadel+*	
O. 29 Boston College+*	14-41
N. 5 Air Force+*	6-25
N. 12 Boston University+*	
D. 3 Navy@	16-14
G. Al Philadelphia, PA	

Coach: Bob Sutton • Colors: Black, Gold & Gray  
Nickname: Cadets • 1993 Record: 6-5

**AUBURN** Auburn, AL

S. 3 Mississippi	6-12
S. 10 NE Louisiana+	
S. 17 Louisiana State+*	34-10
S. 24 East Tennessee State+*	
S. 28 Kentucky+*	
O. 8 Mississippi State	31-17
O. 15 Florida	38-35
O. 29 Arkansas+*	31-21
N. 5 East Carolina+*	
N. 12 Georgia+*	42-28
N. 26 Alabama@	22-14
G. Al Birmingham, AL	

Coach: Terry Bowden  
Colors: Burnt Orange & Navy Blue  
Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 11-0

**AUSTIN PEAY** Clarksville, TN

S. 1 Kentucky Wesleyan+*	
S. 17 Western Kentucky*	27-28
S. 24 Eastern Kentucky+*	7-48
O. 1 Tennessee Tech	17-35
O. 8 Murray State+*	14-38
O. 15 Tennessee State	16-21
O. 22 Morehead State+*	10-23
O. 29 Southeast Missouri	7-17
N. 5 Middle Tennessee+*	10-44
N. 12 Samford	
N. 19 UT Martin	33-39

Coach: Roy Gregory • Colors: Red & White  
Nickname: Governors • 1993 Record: 1-10

**BALL STATE** Muncie, IN

S. 3 West Virginia	
S. 17 Purdue	
S. 24 Ohio University+*	24-16
O. 1 Central Michigan+*	20-17
O. 8 Toledo	31-30
O. 15 Western Michigan+*	
O. 22 Bowling Green	26-26
O. 29 Eastern Michigan+*	18-13
N. 5 Miami (OH)	21-0
N. 12 Akron+*	31-9
N. 19 Kent	28-3

Coach: Paul Schudel • Colors: Cardinal & White  
Nickname: Cardinals • 1993 Record: 8-3-1

**BAYLOR** Waco, TX

S. 3 Louisiana Tech+*	
S. 10 San Jose State	
S. 17 Oklahoma State+*	
S. 24 Southern Cal	
O. 1 Texas Christian	13-38
O. 8 Southern Methodist+*	31-12
O. 15 Texas A&M	17-34
O. 22 Texas Tech	28-26
O. 29 Houston	3-24
N. 12 Rice	38-14
N. 24 Texas+*	17-38

Coach: Chuck Reedy • Colors: Green & Gold  
Nickname: Bears • 1993 Record: 5-6

**BETTUNE-COOKMAN** Daytona Beach, FL

S. 3 Johnson C Smith+*	39-7
S. 10 Morgan State	41-7
S. 17 Central Florida	14-34
S. 24 North Carolina Central+*	
O. 1 Delaware State	26-65
O. 8 Howard	7-21
O. 15 South Carolina State	27-40
O. 22 Albany State	
O. 29 North Carolina A&T	14-29
N. 5 Knoxville	31-33
N. 26 Florida A&M	22-27

Coach: Cy McClellan • Colors: Maroon & Gold  
Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 3-8

**BOISE STATE** Boise, ID

S. 3 Northeastern+*	
S. 10 Northridge	
S. 17 Nevada+*	10-38
S. 24 Liberty+*	
O. 1 Northern Arizona	9-23
O. 8 Weber State+*	14-21
O. 15 Idaho State	34-27
O. 22 Montana State	21-42
N. 5 Montana+*	24-38
N. 12 Eastern Washington	17-28
N. 19 Idaho+*	16-49

Coach: Pokey Allen • Colors: Blue & Orange

Nickname: Broncos • 1993 Record: 3-8

**BOSTON COLLEGE** Chestnut Hill, MA

S. 3 Michigan	
S. 17 Virginia Tech+*	48-34
S. 24 Pittsburgh	33-0
O. 5 Notre Dame+*	41-39
O. 15 Temple+*	66-14
O. 22 Rutgers+*	31-21
O. 29 Army	41-14
N. 3 Louisville	33-29
N. 12 Syracuse	14-17
N. 26 Miami	7-23

Coach: Dan Henning • Colors: Maroon & Gold

Nickname: Golden Eagles • 1993 Record: 9-3

**BOSTON UNIVERSITY** Boston, MA

S. 10 Colgate	
S. 17 Maine	45-0
S. 24 Villanova	30-15
O. 1 James Madison+	24-21
O. 8 Rhode Island	48-15
O. 16 Northeastern+*	17-14
O. 22 Richmond+	44-14
O. 29 Massachusetts	28-9
N. 5 Middle Tennessee+*	30-16
N. 12 Army	
N. 19 New Hampshire+	24-14

Coach: Ben Allen • Colors: Scarlet & White

Nickname: Terriers • 1993 Record: 12-1

**BOWLING GREEN** Bowling Green, OH

S. 3 North Carolina State	
S. 10 Akron	49-7
S. 17 Navy+*	20-27
S. 24 Eastern Michigan	
O. 1 Cincinnati	21-7
O. 8 Ohio University+	20-0
O. 15 Toledo	17-10
O. 22 Ball State	26-26
O. 29 Miami (OH)+	30-25
N. 5 Kent State	40-7
N. 12 Central Michigan+*	15-17

Coach: Gary Blackney • Colors: Orange & Brown

Nickname: Falcons • 1993 Record: 6-3-2

**BRIGHAM YOUNG** Provo, UT

S. 3 Hawaii	41-38
S. 10 Air Force	30-3
S. 17 Colorado State+*	27-22
S. 24 New Mexico+	34-31
S. 30 Utah State+*	56-58
O. 8 Fresno State	45-48
O. 15 Notre Dame	20-45
O. 22 Texas-El Paso	47-16
O. 29 Arizona State	
N. 5 LE Louisiana+	45-44
N. 10 San Diego State+*	31-34

Coach: Lavell Edwards • Colors: Royal Blue & White

Nickname: Cougars • 1993 Record: 5-6

**BROWN** Providence, RI

S. 17 Yale	12-3
S. 24 Rhode Island	7-30
S. 24 North Carolina Central+*	
O. 1 Colgate	
O. 8 Princeton	16-34
O. 15 Holy Cross	9-23
O. 22 Pennsylvania+	9-34
O. 29 Cornell	3-21
N. 5 Harvard	43-29
N. 12 Dartmouth	16-39
N. 19 Columbia	28-23

Coach: Mark Whipple

Colors: Brown, Cardinal & White

Nickname: Bruins, Bears • 1993 Record: 4-6

**BUCKNELL** Lewisburg, PA

S. 10 Hofstra+*	
S. 17 Southern Connecticut+	
S. 24 Harvard	
O. 1 Princeton	
O. 8 Towson State+*	21-49
O. 15 Camel	
O. 22 Lehigh	32-27
O. 28 Lafayette	14-31
N. 5 Holy Cross	33-23
N. 12 Colgate+*	8-13
N. 19 Fordham	27-21

Coach: Lou Maranzano • Colors: Orange & Blue

Nickname: Bison • 1993 Record: 4-7

**SUFFOLK** Buffalo, NY

S. 3 James Madison	
S. 10 Towson State	14-38
S. 17 Lehigh+*	
S. 24 Cheyney State	
O. 8 Colgate	
O. 15 Illinois State+*	
D. 22 Hofstra+*	20-28
D. 29 Maine	27-30
N. 5 Youngstown State	12-38
N. 26 Miami	7-42

Coach: Jim Ward • Colors: Red, White & Blue

Nickname: Bulls • 1993 Record: 1-10

**BUTLER** Indianapolis, IN

S. 3 Hofstra+*	
S. 10 Xavier	19-20
S. 17 Georgetown	24-21
O. 1 Drake	28-3
O. 8 Valparaiso	10-1
O. 15 Dayton	6-28
O. 22 San Diego	27-28
O. 29 Evansville	14-12
N. 5 Alabama-Birmingham	27-31

Coach: Ken LaRose • Colors: Blue & White

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## CENTRAL MICHIGAN Mount Pleasant, MI

S 3 Iowa	
S 10 Nevada-Las Vegas+	20-33
S 17 Eastern Michigan	21-28
S 24 Kent State+	33-28
O 1 Ball State	17-20
O 8 Western Michigan+	23-18
O 15 Akron	13-23
O 22 Miami (OH)+	21-24
O 29 Ohio University	38-0
N 5 Toledo+	38-7
N 12 Bowling Green	17-15

Coach Dick Flynn • Colors Maroon & Gray  
Nickname Chippewas • 1993 Record 5-6

## CHARLESTON SOUTHERN Charleston, SC

S 10 Presbyterian	17-16
S 17 South Carolina State+	44-10
S 24 Towson State+	14-52
O 1 Morgan State+	20-54
O 8 Maryland+	15-10
O 15 Troy State	0-56
O 22 Alabama-Birmingham	20-48
O 29 Marshall	...
N 5 J-T-Marin	...
N 2 Wofford	9-21
N 9 Liberty	6-42

Coach David Dowd • Colors Blue & Gold  
Nickname Buccaneers • 98 Record 3-8

## CINCINNATI Cincinnati, OH

S 3 Indiana	
S 10 Syracuse+	21-24
S 17 Miami (OH)	30-23
S 24 Houston+	41-17
O 1 Bowling Green+	7-21
O 8 Vanderbilt+	7-17
O 15 Rutgers	...
O 22 Memphis State	23-20
O 29 East Carolina	34-14
N 12 Wisconsin	...
N 19 Tulsa+	22-15

Coach Rick Minler • Colors Red & Black  
Nickname Bearcats • 1993 Record 8-3

## CITADEL Charleston, SC

S 12 Whiting+	6-20
S 17 Western Carolina+	18-38
S 24 Appalachian State	27-14
O 1 Newberry+	
O 8 East Tennessee State+	17-20
O 15 Furman	20-10
O 22 Army	
O 29 Marshall	15-35
N 5 J-T-Chattanooga+	4-27
N 2 VMI	34-33
N 19 Georgia Southern+	6-16

Coach Charlie Justice • Colors Blue & White  
Nickname Bulldogs • 1993 Record 5-6

## CLEMSON Clemson, SC

S 3 Furman+	
S 10 North Carolina State+	20-14
S 17 Virginia	23-14
O 1 Maryland+	29-0
O 8 Georgia	...
O 15 Duke	13-10
O 22 Florida State	0-57
O 29 Wake Forest+	16-20
N 5 North Carolina	0-24
N 12 Georgia Tech+	16-13
N 19 South Carolina+	16-13

Coach Tommy West • Colors Purple & Orange  
Nickname Bulldogs • 1993 Record 9-3

## COLGATE Hamilton, NY

S 10 Boston University+	
S 17 Dartmouth+	
S 24 Princeton	
O 1 Brown	
O 8 Buffalo	
O 15 Harvard	
O 22 Fordham+	13-17
O 29 Lehigh	32-36
N 5 Lafayette+	7-7
N 12 Bucknell	13-8
N 19 Holy Cross+	14-27

Coach Ed Sweeney • Colors Maroon, White & Gray  
Nickname Red Raiders • 1993 Record 3-7-1

## COLORADO Boulder, CO

S 3 NE Louisiana+	
S 17 Wisconsin+	
S 24 Michigan	
O 1 Texas	35-14
O 8 Missouri	30-18
O 15 Oklahoma+	27-10
O 22 Kansas State	15-16
O 29 Nebraska	17-21
N 5 Oklahoma State	31-14
N 12 Kansas	35-14
N 19 Iowa State	27-6

Coach Bill McCartney • Colors Silver Gold & Black  
Nickname Buffaloes • 8-7-6-5 • 90-77-7-7

## COLORADO STATE Fort Collins, CO

S 3 Air Force	8-5
S 10 Utah State	...
S 17 Brigham Young	22-27
S 24 San Diego State	3-30
O 1 New Mexico	21-20
O 8 Arizona	...
O 15 Texas-El Paso	52-0
O 22 Idaho	21-38
N 5 Wyoming	42-21
N 2 Arkansas State	...
N 19 Fresno State	34-32

Coach Sonny Lubick • Colors Green & Gold  
Nickname Rams • 1993 Record 5-5

## COLUMBIA New York, NY

S 17 Harvard+	3-30
S 24 Lehigh	...
O 1 Lafayette	6-58
O 8 Fordham	...
O 15 Pennsylvania	7-38
O 22 Yale	28-35
O 29 Princeton	3-14
N 5 Dartmouth	25-42
N 12 Cornell	29-24
N 19 Brown	23-28

Coach Ray Teller • Colors Columbia Blue & White  
Nickname Lions • 1993 Record 9-4

## CONNECTICUT Storrs, CT

S 3 Nichols State+	
S 10 Troy State	...
S 17 Richmond+	21-3
S 24 New Hampshire	24-23 (201)
O 1 Yale	25-14
O 8 James Madison	14-13
O 15 Maine	41-9
N 5 Boston University	16-30
N 12 James Madison	45-34
N 19 Massachusetts	17-20

Coach Skip Holtz • Colors Blue & White  
Nickname Huskies • 1993 Record 6-5

## CORNELL Ithaca, NY

S 17 Princeton	12-18
S 24 Fordham	48-6
O 1 Lehigh	13-35
O 8 Harvard	27-0
O 15 Bucknell	...
O 22 Dartmouth	27-28
O 29 Brown	21-3
N 5 Yale	21-0
N 12 Columbia	24-29
N 19 Pennsylvania	14-17

Coach Jim Holter • Colors Carmine & White  
Nickname Big Red • 1993 Record 4-6

## DARTMOUTH Hanover, NH

S 17 Colgate	
S 24 Pennsylvania	6-10
O 1 Fordham	...
O 8 Lafayette	31-14
O 15 Yale	28-27
O 22 Cornell	39-34
N 5 Columbia	42-25
N 12 Brown	39-16
N 19 Princeton	28-22

Coach John Lyons • Colors Green & White  
Nickname Big Green • 1993 Record 7-3

## DAVIDSON Davidson, NC

S 17 Maryvale	0-27
S 24 Embry-Riddle	35-24
O 1 Guilford	21-16
O 15 Methodist	35-7
O 22 Randolph-Macon	16-21
O 29 Hampden-Sydney	21-14
N 5 Centre College	31-44
N 12 Bridgewater	55-14
N 19 University of the South	...
In All Davidson	Brackets

Coach Tim Laabs • Colors Red & Black

Nickname Indians • 1993 Record 6-4

## DUQUESNE Pittsburgh, PA

S 10 St Francis (PA)	35-34
S 17 Georgetown	...
S 24 St Peter's	0-7
O 1 Gannon	...
O 8 Robert Morris	12-21
O 15 Mansfield	...
O 22 Siena	...
O 29 Iona	12-37
N 5 St John's	12-12
N 12 Canisius	16-12

Coach Greg Gattison • Colors Red & Blue

Nickname Dukes • 1993 Record 6-4

## EAST CAROLINA Greenville, NC

S 0 Duke	
S 17 Temple	
S 24 Syracuse	22-41
O 1 Southern Mississippi	16-24
O 8 South Carolina	3-27
O 15 Virginia Tech	12-31
O 22 Tulsa	26-52
O 29 Cincinnati	14-34
N 5 Auburn	...
N 12 Central Florida	4-17
N 19 Memphis State	7-34

Coach Steve Logan • Colors Purple & Gold

Nickname Pirates • 1993 Record 2-9

## EASTERN ILLINOIS Charleston, IL

S 1 Murray State	34-17
S 10 Texas-El Paso	
S 17 Jack Haver State	
S 24 Northern Illinois	
O 1 Southwest Missouri	35-13
O 8 Northern Iowa	27-31
O 22 Western Illinois	14-28
O 28 Indiana State	24-27
N 5 Illinois State	17-17
N 2 Western Kentucky	...
N 19 Southern Illinois	42-35

Coach Herb J. Raymond • Colors Blue & Gold

Nickname Fighting Illini • 1993 Record 9-4

## EASTERN KENTUCKY Richmond, KY

S 1 Western Kentucky	10-15
S 10 Samford	
S 17 Youngstown State	22-26
S 24 Austin Peay	48-7
O 1 Middle Tennessee St.	33-27
O 8 Tennessee St.	52-13
O 15 Murray State	21-13
O 22 Tennessee Tech	10-7
O 29 UT-Martin	30-0
N 5 SE Missouri St.	35-21
N 19 Morehead State	44-7

Coach Roy Kidd • Colors Maroon & White

Nickname Colonels • 1993 Record 4-4

## EASTERN MICHIGAN Ypsilanti, MI

S 3 Nevada-Las Vegas	
S 10 Wisconsin	
S 17 Central Michigan	28-21
S 24 Bowling Green	
O 1 Miami (OH)	15-7
O 8 Kent	20-15
O 22 Western Michigan	20-21
O 29 Ball State	13-18
N 5 Akron	7-19
N 12 Ohio University	10-12
N 19 Toledo	10-14

Coach Ron Cooper • Colors Green & Red

Nickname Eagles • 1993 Record 4-7

## EASTERN WASHINGTON Cheney, WA

S 10 Cal Poly-SLO	20-35
S 17 Montana	36-22
S 24 Weber State	38-21
O 1 Portland State	38-21
O 8 Idaho	10-49
O 15 Northern Arizona	38-26
O 22 Idaho State	35-7
O 29 Montana State	16-7
N 5 Utah State	...
N 12 Boise State	28-17
N 19 Northern Iowa	...

Coach Mike Kramer • Colors Red & White

Nickname Eagles • 1993 Record 7-3

**MISSISSIPPI STATE**

Johnson City, TN

S. 1 Catawba College +	
S. 10 Morehead State +	
S. 17 VMI +	10-7
S. 24 Auburn	
O. 1 Appalachian State +	16-20
O. 8 The Citadel	20-17
O. 22 Georgia Southern	24-31
O. 29 Furman +	21-45
N. 5 Marshall +	9-33
N. 12 UT-Chattanooga	21-0
N. 19 Western Carolina	24-25

Coach Mike Caven • Colors, Blue &amp; Gold

Nickname Buccaneers • 1993 Record: 6-5

**EVANSVILLE** Evansville, IN

S. 3 Wittenberg	
S. 10 Thomas More +	
S. 17 Kentucky Wesleyan	35-14
O. 1 Dayton +	6-13
O. B Drake +	27-29
O. 15 San Diego	27-21
O. 22 Valparaiso +	34-28
O. 29 Butler	12-14
N. 5 Cumberland (Tenn.)	28-12
N. 12 Aurora +	

Coach: Robin Cooper • Colors, Purple &amp; White

Nickname: Aces • 1993 Record: 6-4

**FLORIDA** Gainesville, FL

S. 3 New Mexico State +	
S. 10 Kentucky +	24-20
S. 17 Tennessee	41-34
O. 1 Mississippi	
O. 8 Louisiana State +	58-3
O. 15 Auburn +	35-38
O. 29 Georgia	33-26
N. 5 Southern Mississippi +	
N. 12 South Carolina +	37-28
M. 19 Vanderbilt	62-0
N. 26 Florida State	21-33

Coach: Steve Spurrier • Colors, Orange &amp; Blue

Nickname: Gators • 1993 Record: 11-2

**FLORIDA A&M** Tallahassee, FL

S. 3 Tuskegee +	
S. 17 Jackson State +	41-19
S. 24 Howard +	13-32
O. 1 Tennessee State	23-15
O. 8 North Carolina A&T +	13-41
O. 15 Delaware State	14-18
O. 22 South Carolina State (S)	21-17
O. 29 Morgan State +	41-14
N. 5 Southern University	4-26
N. 12 Grambling #	13-39
N. 26 Bethune-Cookman S	27-22

# At Orlando, FL

# At Miami, FL

# At Tampa, FL

Coach: Billy Joe • Colors, Orange &amp; Green

Nickname: Panthers • 1993 Record: 5-6

**FLORIDA STATE** Tallahassee, FL

S. 3 Virginia +	40-14
S. 10 Maryland	49-20
S. 17 Wake Forest	54-0
S. 24 North Carolina +	33-7
O. 8 Miami	28-10
O. 15 Virginia +	40-14
O. 22 Clemson +	57-0
O. 29 Duke +	45-7
N. 5 Georgia Tech	51-0
N. 12 Notre Dame @	24-31
N. 19 North Carolina St	62-3
N. 28 Florida +	33-21

@ At Orlando, FL

Coach: Bobby Bowden • Colors, Garnet &amp; Gold

Nickname: Seminoles • 1993 Record: 12-1

**FORDHAM** Bronx, NY

S. 3 Villanova +	5-25
S. 10 Lehigh	6-24
S. 16 Hofstra +	22-49
S. 24 Cornell +	6-48
O. 1 Dartmouth	
O. 8 Columbia +	0-7
O. 15 Princeton +	
O. 22 Colgate	17-13
O. 29 Holy Cross +	12-28
N. 12 Lafayette +	12-27
N. 19 Bucknell	21-27

Coach: Nick Quaranta • Colors, Maroon &amp; White

Nickname: Rams • 1993 Record: 1-10

**FRESNO STATE** Fresno, CA

A. 29 Ohio State +	
S. 3 San Jose State +	
S. 10 Washington St	
S. 17 Oregon State +	48-30
S. 24 Hawaii	45-21
O. 8 Brigham Young +	48-45
O. 15 Wyoming +	28-32
O. 22 Air Force	33-20
O. 29 New Mexico +	41-24
N. 5 Nevada +	30-0
N. 12 Texas-El Paso +	32-34
N. 26 San Diego State +	63-37

@ At Anaheim, CA

Coach: Jim Sweeney • Colors, Cardinal &amp; Blue

Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 8-4

**GRAMBLING** Grambling, LA

S. 3 Alcorn State +	24-25
S. 17 Morgan State	26-27
S. 24 Hampton +	
O. 1 Prairie View A&M S	49-0
O. 8 Mississippi Valley St	28-19
O. 15 Arkansas-Pine Bluff +	45-7
O. 22 Jackson State +	20-14
O. 29 Texas Southern	50-26
N. 5 Alabama State +	10-16
N. 12 Florida A&M	39-13
N. 26 Southern #	13-31

@ At East Rutherford, NJ

N. 12 Dallas, TX

# At New Orleans, LA

Coach: Eddie Robinson • Colors, Black &amp; Gold

Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 7-4

Coach: Tim Murphy

Colors: Crimson, Black &amp; White

Nickname: Crimson • 1993 Record: 3-7

Coach: John L. Smith • Colors, Silver &amp; Gold

Nickname: Vandals • 1993 Record: 11-3

**HOWARD** Washington, DC

S. 3 Mississippi Valley @	
S. 10 Hampton +	
S. 24 Florida A&M	31-13
O. 1 Towson State +	44-41
O. 8 Bethune-Cookman +	21-7
O. 15 North Carolina Central	
O. 22 North Carolina A&T +	41-34
O. 29 Morehouse	34-9
N. 5 South Carolina State	30-14
N. 12 Morgan State +	66-37
N. 19 Delaware State +	63-33

@ At St. Louis, MO

Coach: Steve Wilson • Colors, Blue &amp; White

Nickname: Bison • 1993 Record: 11-1

**IDAHO** Moscow, ID

S. 3 Southern Illah +	
S. 17 Nevada-Las Vegas +	
S. 24 Stephen F Austin +	38-30
O. 1 Idaho State +	56-27
O. 8 Eastern Washington	49-10
O. 15 Montana State +	35-40
O. 22 Northern Arizona +	34-27
O. 29 Montana	34-54
N. 5 Northern Iowa +	
N. 12 Weber State +	56-0
N. 19 Boise State +	49-16

Coach: John L. Smith • Colors, Silver &amp; Gold

Nickname: Vandals • 1993 Record: 11-3

**IDAHO STATE** Pocatello, ID

S. 3 Adams State +	
S. 10 Utah +	
S. 17 Northern Arizona +	15-32
S. 24 Mesa State +	53-10
O. 1 Idaho	27-56
O. 8 Montana State	
O. 15 Boise State +	27-34
O. 22 Eastern Washington +	7-38
O. 29 Portland State +	7-21
N. 5 Weber State	17-21
N. 12 Montana +	16-28

Coach: Brian McNeely • Colors, Orange &amp; Blue

Nickname: Bengals • 1993 Record: 2-9

**ILLINOIS** Champaign, IL

S. 3 Washington State @	
S. 10 Missouri +	3-31
S. 17 Northern Illinois +	
O. 1 Purdue +	28-10
O. 8 Ohio State	12-20
O. 15 Iowa +	49-3
O. 22 Michigan +	24-21
O. 29 Northwestern	20-13
N. 5 Minnesota	23-20
N. 12 Penn State +	14-28
N. 19 Wisconsin	10-35

@ At Chicago, IL

Coach: Lou Tepper • Colors: Orange &amp; Blue

Nickname: Fighting Illini • 1993 Record: 5-6

**ILLINOIS STATE** Normal, IL

S. 3 McNeese State +	37-27
S. 10 Washburn +	
S. 17 Western Illinois	12-17
S. 24 Indiana State	27-3
O. 1 Central Florida +	
O. 8 SW Missouri State +	28-40
O. 15 Buffalo	
O. 22 Lafayette	27-52
O. 29 Fordham	28-12
N. 5 Bucknell +	23-33
N. 12 Lehigh +	10-17
N. 19 Colgate	27-14

Coach: Peter Vaas • Colors: Royal Purple

Nickname: Crusaders • 1993 Record: 3-8

**INDIANA** Bloomington, IN

S. 3 Cincinnati +	
S. 10 Miami (OH) +	
S. 17 Kentucky	24-8
S. 24 Wisconsin	15-27
O. 1 Minnesota +	23-19
O. 8 Iowa	15-10
O. 22 Northwestern +	24-0
O. 29 Michigan State	10-0
N. 5 Penn State +	31-38
N. 12 Ohio State +	17-23
N. 19 Purdue	24-17

Coach: Bill Mallory • Colors, Cream &amp; Crimson

Nickname: Hoosiers • 1993 Record: 8-4

Coach: Kim Helton • Colors, Scarlet &amp; White

Nickname: Cougars • 1993 Record: 1-9-1

**INDIANA STATE Terre Haute, IN**

S. 3 Toledo*	
S. 10 Lock Haven*	
S. 17 West Virginia Tech+ *93-8	
S. 24 Illinois State+ ..	3-17
D. 1 Northern Iowa ..	10-17
D. 8 Southern Illinois ..	26-35
D. 15 Western Illinois ..	16-6
D. 22 SW Missouri State+ ..	21-31
D. 29 Eastern Illinois ..	27-24
N. 5 Western Kentucky ..	41-14
N. 19 Youngstown State ..	10-17

Coach Dennis Reetz • Colors: Royal Blue & White  
Nickname: Sycamores • 1993 Record: 4-7

**IONA New Rochelle, NY**

S. 17 Marist ..	27-24
S. 24 Georgetown ..	22-15
O. 1 Siena+ ..	54-21
O. 8 Pace ..	38-6
O. 15 St. Peter's+ ..	35-28
O. 22 Wagner+ ..	30-23
O. 29 Duquesne ..	29-23
N. 5 Canisius ..	19-9
N. 12 St. John's ..	42-30

Coach Harold Crocker • Colors: Maroon & Gold  
Nickname: Gaels • 1993 Record: 4-2

**IOWA Iowa City, IA**

S. 3 Central Michigan+ ..	
S. 10 Iowa State+ ..	31-28
S. 17 Penn State ..	0-31
S. 24 Oregon ..	
O. 1 Michigan+ ..	7-24
D. 8 Indiana+ ..	10-16
D. 15 Illinois ..	3-49
D. 22 Michigan State+ ..	10-24
D. 29 Purdue ..	26-17
N. 12 Northwestern+ ..	23-19
N. 19 Minnesota+ ..	21-3

Coach Hayden Fry • Colors: Black & Gold  
Nickname: Hawkeyes • 1993 Record: 6-6

**IOWA STATE Ames, IA**

S. 3 Northern Iowa+ ..	
S. 0 Iowa ..	28-31
S. 17 Western Michigan+ ..	
S. 24 Rice+ ..	21-49
O. 1 Oklahoma ..	7-24
O. 15 Kansas+ ..	20-35
O. 22 Oklahoma State ..	20-17
O. 29 Missouri+ ..	34-37
N. 5 Kansas State ..	27-23
N. 12 Nebraska+ ..	17-49
N. 19 Colorado ..	16-21

Coach Jim Walden • Colors: Cardinal & Gold  
Nickname: Cyclones • 1993 Record: 3-8

**JACKSON STATE Jackson, MS**

S. 4 Alabama A&M ..	
S. 10 Tennessee State+ ..	24-10
S. 17 Florida A&M+ ..	19-4
S. 24 Mississippi Valley+ ..	7-7
O. 1 South Carolina State ..	33-34
O. 8 Alabama State ..	17-15
O. 15 Southern University ..	3-16
O. 22 Grambling ..	14-20
N. 5 Texas Southern ..	38-12
N. 12 Prairie View+ ..	37-7
N. 19 Alcorn State ..	22-31

Coach James Carson • Colors: Cardinal & Gold  
Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 5-5-1

**JAMES MADISON Harrisonburg, VA**

S. 3 Elijalio+ ..	
S. 10 Middle Tennessee St+ ..	
S. 17 New Hampshire ..	45-21
D. 1 Boston University ..	21-24
O. 8 Delaware ..	42-38
O. 15 Villanova+ ..	42-3
O. 22 William & Mary+ ..	26-31
O. 29 Richmond ..	13-20
N. 5 VMI ..	
N. 12 Connecticut+ ..	34-45
N. 19 Northeastern+ ..	52-21

Coach Rip Scherer • Colors: Purple & Gold  
Nickname: Dukes • 1993 Record: 6-5

**KANSAS Lawrence, KS**

S. 1 Houston ..	
S. 10 Michigan State+ ..	14-31
S. 17 Texas Christian ..	
S. 24 Alabama-Birmingham+ ..	
D. 6 Kansas State+ ..	9-10
D. 15 Iowa State ..	25-20
D. 22 Oklahoma+ ..	23-38
D. 29 Oklahoma State+ ..	13-6
N. 5 Nebraska ..	20-21
N. 12 Colorado+ ..	14-38
N. 19 Missouri ..	28-6

Coach Glen Mason • Colors: Crimson & Blue  
Nickname: Jayhawks • 1993 Record: 5-7

**KANSAS STATE Manhattan, KS**

S. 10 Southwest Louisiana+ ..	
S. 17 Rice+ ..	
S. 24 Minnesota+ ..	30-25
O. 6 Kansas ..	9-9
O. 15 Nebraska+ ..	28-45
O. 22 Colorado ..	16-16
O. 29 Oklahoma ..	21-7
N. 5 Iowa State+ ..	23-27
N. 12 Missouri ..	27-21
N. 19 Oklahoma State+ ..	21-17
N. 26 Nevada-Las Vegas ..	36-20

Coach Bill Snyder • Colors: Purple & White  
Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 4-2

**KENT Kent, OH**

S. 3 Rutgers ..	
S. 17 Akron+ ..	7-42
S. 24 Central Michigan ..	28-33
O. 1 Western Michigan ..	21-27
O. 8 Eastern Michigan+ ..	15-20
O. 15 Youngstown State ..	
O. 22 Ohio University+ ..	10-15
O. 29 Toledo+ ..	27-45
N. 5 Bowling Green+ ..	7-40
N. 12 Miami (OH) ..	14-23
N. 19 Ball State+ ..	7-23

Coach Jim Corigliano • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Golden Flashes • 1993 Record: 5-7

**KENTUCKY Lexington, KY**

S. 3 Louisville+ ..	
S. 10 Florida ..	20-24
S. 17 Indiana+ ..	8-24
S. 24 South Carolina+ ..	21-17
S. 29 Auburn+ ..	
O. 15 Louisiana State+ ..	35-17
O. 22 Georgia+ ..	29-33
O. 29 Mississippi State+ ..	26-17
N. 5 Vanderbilt+ ..	7-12
N. 12 NE Louisiana+ ..	
N. 19 Tennessee ..	1-48

Coach Bill Curry • Colors: Blue & White  
Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 5-6

**LAFAYETTE Easton, PA**

S. 10 East Stroudsburg+ ..	
S. 17 Pennsylvania ..	
S. 24 Hofstra+ ..	7-17
O. 1 Columbia ..	56-6
O. 8 Dartmouth+ ..	
O. 15 Navy ..	
O. 22 Holy Cross+ ..	52-27
O. 29 Bucknell ..	31-14
N. 5 Colgate ..	7-7
N. 12 Fordham ..	77-12
N. 19 Lehigh+ ..	14-33

Coach Kevin Russo • Colors: Maroon & White  
Nickname: Leopards • 1993 Record: 5-4-2

**LEHIGH Bethlehem, PA**

S. 10 Fordham+ ..	24-6
S. 1 Puffin+ ..	
S. 24 Columbia+ ..	
O. 1 Cornell+ ..	35-13
O. 8 Yale ..	
O. 15 New Hampshire ..	
O. 22 Boston College+ ..	27-32
O. 29 George Washington+ ..	45-32
N. 5 Delaware+ ..	21-62
N. 12 Holy Cross ..	7-10
N. 19 Lafayette ..	39-14

Coach Kevin Higgins • Colors: Brown & White  
Nickname: Engineers • 1993 Record: 7-4

**LIBERTY Lynchburg, VA**

S. 3 Concord+ ..	37-3
S. 9 Villanova+ ..	27-13
S. 17 Toledo+ ..	
S. 24 Boise State+ ..	
D. 8 Delaware State+ ..	47-43
O. 15 SW Missouri State ..	
O. 22 Catawba+ ..	
O. 29 Central Florida+ ..	19-55
N. 5 Appalachian State ..	20-14
N. 12 New Haven+ ..	
N. 19 Charleston Southern+ ..	42-6

Coach Sam Ruggiano • Colors: Red, White & Blue  
Nickname: Flames • 1993 Record: 6-5

**LOUISIANA STATE Baton Rouge, LA**

S. 3 Texas A&M+ ..	0-24
S. 10 Mississippi State+ ..	18-16
S. 17 Auburn ..	10-34
O. 1 South Carolina+ ..	
O. 8 Florida+ ..	3-68
O. 15 Kentucky+ ..	17-35
O. 29 Mississippi+ ..	19-17
N. 5 Alabama+ ..	17-13
N. 2 Southern Mississippi+ ..	
N. 19 Tulane ..	24-10
N. 26 Arkansas ..	24-42

Coach Courtney Hallinan • Colors: Purple & Gold  
Nickname: Purple & Gold • 1993 Record: 5-6

**LOUISIANA TECH Ruston, LA**

S. 3 Baylor ..	
S. 10 Louisiana+ ..	
S. 17 South Carolina+ ..	3-34
O. 1 SW Louisiana+ ..	17-21
O. 8 Nevada-Las Vegas+ ..	23-28
O. 15 Utah State+ ..	13-24
O. 22 Northern Illinois ..	17-16
O. 29 West Virginia ..	
N. 5 Northwestern State+ ..	
N. 12 San Jose State+ ..	5-31
N. 19 Arkansas State ..	17-3

Coach Joe Ray Peace • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 2-9

**LOUISVILLE Louisville, KY**

S. 3 Kentucky ..	
S. 10 Texas ..	41-10
S. 17 Arizona State ..	35-17
O. 1 Pittsburgh+ ..	29-7
O. 8 North Carolina St+ ..	
O. 15 Army ..	
O. 22 Navy ..	29-0
O. 29 Memphis+ ..	54-28
N. 3 Boston College+ ..	7-42
N. 12 Texas A&M+ ..	28-0
N. 26 Tulane ..	

Coach Howard Schnellenberger • Colors: Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Cardinals • 1993 Record: 10-3

**MAINEOrono, ME**

S. 3 Central Florida+ ..	
S. 10 Rhode Island+ ..	26-23 (20T)
S. 17 Boston University+ ..	0-45
S. 24 Massachusetts+ ..	17-13
O. 1 Delaware+ ..	19-21
O. 8 Richmond ..	14-17
O. 15 Connecticut ..	13-14
O. 22 New Hampshire+ ..	13-63
O. 29 Buffalo+ ..	30-27
N. 5 William & Mary ..	23-47
N. 12 Northeastern ..	20-34
N. 19 East Carolina+ ..	34-7

Coach Jack Caprigine • Colors: Blue & White  
Nickname: Black Bears • 1993 Record: 3-8

**MARIST Poughkeepsie, NY**

S. 10 Cornell+ ..	33-31
S. 7 Ohio+ ..	24-27
S. 14 Wagner ..	6-22
O. 8 St. John's+ ..	30-31
O. 8 St. Peter's ..	
O. 5 Duquesne ..	21-12
O. 22 Cornell+ ..	
O. 29 Georgetown ..	
N. 5 St. Francis PA+ ..	16-7
N. 12 Siena ..	28-0

Coach Dennis Erickson • Colors: Black, Red & White  
Nickname: Red Foxes • 1993 Record: 5-5

**MARSHALL Huntington, WV**

S. 3 Morehead State+ ..	56-0
S. 10 Tennessee Tech+ ..	
S. 17 Georgia Southern ..	13-3
S. 24 West Virginia State+ ..	
O. 1 UT-Chattanooga+ ..	31-33
O. 8 VMI ..	51-0</td

**MIAMI** Oxford, OH

S 3 Western Michigan+	0-17
S 10 Indiana	
S 17 Cincinnati+	23-30
S 24 Michigan State	
D 1 Eastern Michigan	7-15
D 8 Akron+	13-31
D 15 Ohio University	20-22
D 22 Central Michigan	24-21
D 29 Bowling Green	25-30
N 5 Bell State+	0-21
N 12 Kent+	23-14

Coach: Randy Walker • Colors: Red & White  
Nickname: Redskins • 1993 Record: 4-7

**MICHIGAN** Ann Arbor, MI

S 3 Boston College+	
S 10 Notre Dame	23-27
S 24 Colorado+	
D 1 Iowa	24-7
D 8 Michigan State+	7-17
D 15 Penn State+	21-3
D 22 Illinois	21-24
D 29 Wisconsin+	10-3
N 5 Purdue	25-10
N 12 Minnesota+	58-7
N 19 Ohio State	28-0

Coach: Gary Moeller • Colors: Maroon & Blue  
Nickname: Wolverines • 1993 Record: 8-4

**MICHIGAN STATE** East Lansing, MI

S 10 Kansas	31-14
S 17 Notre Dame+	14-36
S 24 Miami (OH)+	
D 1 Wisconsin+	20-41
D 8 Michigan	17-7
D 15 Ohio State+	21-28
D 22 Iowa	24-10
D 29 Indiana+	0-10
N 5 Northwestern	31-23
N 12 Purdue+	27-24
N 26 Penn State	37-38

Coach: George Perles • Colors: Green & White  
Nickname: Spartans • 1993 Record: 6-6

## Murfreesboro, TN

S 3 Tennessee State	33-34
S 10 James Madison	
S 24 Murray State+	45-3
D 1 Eastern Kentucky+	27-33
D 8 UT-Martin+	14-24
D 15 Morehead State+	49-0
D 22 SE Missouri	31-10
D 29 Jacksonville State+	
N 6 Austin Peay	44-10
N 12 Illinois State+	
N 19 Tennessee Tech+	14-35

Coach: Boots Donnelly • Colors: Blue & White  
Nickname: Blue Raiders • 1993 Record: 5-5

**MINNESOTA** Minneapolis, MN

S 3 Penn State+	20-38
S 10 Pacific+	
S 17 San Diego State+	17-48
S 24 Kansas State	25-30
D 1 Indiana	19-23
D 8 Purdue	59-56
D 15 Northwestern+	28-26
D 22 Wisconsin	28-21
N 5 Illinois+	20-23
N 12 Michigan	7-58
N 19 Iowa+	3-21

Coach: Jim Wacker • Colors: Maroon & Gold  
Nickname: Gophers • 1993 Record: 4-7

**MISSISSIPPI** University, MS

S 3 Auburn+	12-16
S 10 Southern Illinois+	
S 17 Vanderbilt	48-7
S 24 Georgia	31-14
D 1 Florida+	
D 15 Arkansas	19-0
D 22 Alabama	14-19
D 29 Louisiana State+	17-19
N 5 Memphis State+	3-19
N 12 Tulane	
N 26 Mississippi State+	13-20

Coach: Billy Brewer  
Colors: Cardinal Red & Navy Blue  
Nickname: Rebels • 1993 Record: 5-6

**MISSISSIPPI STATE** Starkville, MS

S 3 Memphis State	35-45
S 10 Louisiana State	18-18
S 24 Tennessee+	
D 1 Arkansas State	15-15
D 8 Auburn	17-31
D 15 South Carolina	29-0
D 22 Tulane	36-10
D 29 Kentucky	17-26
N 5 Arkansas	13-13
N 12 Alabama	25-36
N 26 Mississippi	20-13

Coach: Jackie Sherrill • Colors: Maroon & White  
Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 3-6-2

**MISSISSIPPI VALLEY** Ita Bena, MS

S 3 Howard	
S 10 Jane College	36-22
S 17 Southern	13-14
D 24 Jackson State	7-7
D 8 Grambling	19-28
D 15 Alabama-Birmingham	13-30
D 22 Texas Southern	41-27
D 29 Prairie View A&M	42-6
N 5 Alcorn State	20-28
N 12 Alabama State	14-14
(@) Al St. Louis, Mo	
# Al Tupelo, MS	

Coach: Larry Dorsey • Colors: Green & White  
Nickname: Delta Devils • 1993 Record: 4-4-2

**MISSOURI** Columbia, MO

S 3 Tulsa	
S 10 Illinois	31-3
S 17 Houston	
D 1 West Virginia	3-35
D 8 Colorado	18-30
D 15 Oklahoma State	42-9
D 22 Nebraska	7-49
D 29 Iowa State	37-34
N 5 Oklahoma	23-42
N 12 Kansas State	21-31
N 19 Kansas	0-28
N 26 Hawaii	

Coach: Larry Smith • Colors: Old Gold & Black  
Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 3-7-1

**MONMOUTH** West Long Branch, NJ

S 10 Robert Morris	
S 17 Pace	
S 24 St. John's	
D 1 Wagner	7-13
D 8 St. Francis (Pa)	14-25
D 22 Upsala	
D 29 Sacred Heart	0-12
N 5 Stonehill	8-13
N 12 Central Connecticut State	

Coach: Kevin Carleton • Colors: Blue & White

Nickname: Hawks • 1993 Record: 2-5

**MONTANA** Missoula, MT

S 3 Montana State	
S 10 Carson Newman	
S 17 Eastern Washington	35-20
S 24 North Texas	
D 1 Cal Poly-SLO	
D 8 Northern Arizona	38-23
D 22 Weber State	45-17
D 29 Idaho	54-34
N 5 Boise State	38-24
N 12 Idaho State	28-16
N 19 Montana State	42-30

Coach: Dan Radd • Colors: Copper, Silver & Gold  
Nickname: Grizzlies • 1993 Record: 10-2

**MONTANA STATE** Bozeman, MT

S 3 Minnesota-Ciuah+	
S 10 Stephen F. Austin	
S 17 Weber State	14-10
S 24 Northern Arizona	20-23
D 1 Sacramento State	
D 8 Idaho State	25-24
D 15 Idaho	40-35
D 22 Boise State	42-21
D 29 Eastern Kentucky	7-16
N 5 Western New Mexico	
N 19 Montana	30-42

Coach: Cliff Myself • Colors: Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Bobcats • 1993 Record: 7-4

**MOREHEAD STATE** Morehead, KY

S 3 Marshall	0-56
S 10 East Tennessee	0-15
S 15 Tennessee State	
D 1 Southeast Missouri	23-21
D 15 Middle Tennessee St.	0-45
D 22 Austin Peay	23-10
D 29 Alabama-Birmingham	14-52
N 5 M. S. State	0-39
N 12 UT Martin	0-7
N 19 Eastern Kentucky	7-44

Coach: Matt Ballard • Colors: Blue & Orange  
Nickname: Eagles • 1993 Record: 3-8

**MORGAN STATE** Baltimore, MD

S 10 Baltimore College	2-40
S 24 Knoxville College	28-32
S 17 Southern	54-20
D 8 South Carolina State	13-49
D 15 North Carolina A&T	33-49
D 22 Delaware State	42-65
D 29 Florida A&M	4-41
N 5 Samford	
N 12 Howard	37-66
N 19 Towson State	12-56

Coach: Ricky Diggs • Colors: Blue & Orange  
Nickname: Golden Bears • 1993 Record: 3-8

**MURRAY STATE** Murray, KY

S 1 Eastern Illinois	17-36
S 17 Southeast Missouri	17-14
S 24 Middle Tennessee St.	3-45
D 1 UT-Martin	25-21
D 8 Austin Peay	38-16
D 15 Eastern Kentucky	13-21
D 29 Tennessee Tech	15-31
N 5 Morehead State	39-0
N 12 Tennessee State	13-26
N 19 Western Kentucky	14-44

Coach: Houston Huff • Colors: Blue & Gold

Nickname: Racers • 1993 Record: 4-7

**NAVY** Annapolis, MD

S 3 San Diego State	
S 10 Virginia	0-38
S 17 Bowling Green	27-20
D 1 Duke	
D 8 Air Force	26-24
D 15 Lafayette	
D 22 Louisville	
D 29 Notre Dame	27-58
N 5 Tulane	25-27
N 12 Rice	
D 3 Army	14-16
(@) Philadelphia, PA	

Coach: George Champa • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold

Nickname: Midshipmen • 1993 Record: 4-7

**NEBRASKA** Lincoln, NE

A 28 West Virginia	
S 6 Texas Tech	50-27
S 17 JCLA	14-13
S 24 Pacific	
D 1 Wyoming	
D 8 Oklahoma State	
D 15 Kansas State	27-13
D 22 Missouri	45-28
D 29 Idaho	49-7
N 5 Idaho	21-17
N 12 Kansas	21-20
N 19 Iowa State	49-17
N 25 Oklahoma	21-7
(@) East Rutherford, NJ	

Coach: Tom Osborne • Colors: Scarlet & Cream

Nickname: Cornhuskers • 1993 Record: 11-1

**NEW ORLEANS** New Orleans, LA

S 3 Northern Arizona	
S 10 Arkansas State	21-23
S 17 Boise State	38-10
S 24 NE Louisiana	
D 1 Northern Illinois	42-46
D 8 Pacific	31-23
D 15 New Mexico State	34-14
D 22 San Jose State	46-45
N 5 Fresno State	
N 12 Utah State	48-44
N 19 Nevada-Las Vegas	49-14

Coach: Chris Ault • Colors: Blue & Silver

Nickname: Wolf Pack • 1993 Record: 7-4

**NEVADA-LAS VEGAS** Las Vegas, NV

S 3 Eastern Michigan	
S 10 Central Michigan	33-20
S 17 Idaho	
D 1 Utah State	26-33
D 1 New Mexico State	40-52
D 8 Louisiana Tech	26-23
D 15 Tulsa	
D 29 San Jose State	28-14
N 5 Louisiana	14-31
N 19 Nevada	4-49
N 26 Kansas State	20-36
(@) Jeff Horton	
Nickname: Rebels • 1993 Record: 3-8	

Coach: Jeff Horton • Colors: Scarlet & Gray  
Nickname: Rebels • 1993 Record: 3-8

**NEW HAMPSHIRE** Durham, NH

S 10 Northeastern	21-6
S 17 James Madison	24-45
S 24 Connecticut	23-24 (20T)
D 1 Hofstra	
D	

<b>NORTH CAROLINA A&amp;T</b> Greensboro NC	
S 3 North Carolina Central	49-21
S 10 Winston-Salem State+	22-10
S 17 Appalachian State	41-13
S 24 Jacksonville State+	49-33
O 1 Southern @	35-41
O 8 Florida A&M*	29-14
O 15 Morgan State+	19-25
O 22 Howard	52-58
N 5 Delaware State	At Indianapolis, IN
N 19 South Carolina St +	Coach Bill Hayes • Colors: Blue & Gold Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 8-3

Coach Bill Hayes • Colors: Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 8-3

<b>NORTH CAROLINA STATE</b> Raleigh, NC	
S 1 Bowling Green+	14-20
S 10 Clemson	28-23
S 24 Western Carolina+	34-16
O 1 Georgia Tech	14-35
O 8 Louisville	44-21
O 15 Wake Forest+	20-21
O 29 North Carolina	3-52
N 5 Maryland	Coach Mike O'Callan • Colors: Red & White Nickname: Wolfpack • 1993 Record: 7-7
N 12 Duke+	
N 19 Florida State+	

Coach Mike O'Callan • Colors: Red & White  
Nickname: Wolfpack • 1993 Record: 7-7

<b>NORTHEASTERN</b> Boston MA	
S 3 Boise State*	13-27
S 10 New Hampshire+	6-21
S 17 Rhode Island+	13-15
S 24 Richmond+	21-24
O 8 William & Mary	6-53
D 15 Boston University	14-17
D 22 Villanova+	27-3
D 29 Delaware	23-28
N 5 Massachusetts	17-21
N 12 Maine+	34-20
N 19 James Madison	21-52

Coach Barry Gallup • Colors: Red & Black  
Nickname: Huskies • 1993 Record: 2-9

<b>NORTHEAST LOUISIANA</b> Monroe, LA	
S 3 Colorado	
S 10 Auburn	
S 1 Georgia	
S 24 Nevada	
O 1 Weber State+	
O 8 Wyoming	
O 15 Central Florida+	
O 22 Jacksonville State+	
N 5 Brigham Young	
N 12 Kentucky	
N 9 North Texas+	6-7

Coach Ed Zambrowski • Colors: Maroon & Gold  
Nickname: Indians • 1993 Record: 9-1

<b>NORTHERN ARIZONA</b> Flagstaff AZ	
S 3 Nevada	
S 10 Southern Utah	31-27
S 17 Idaho State	12-7
S 24 Montana State	23-20
O 1 Boise State+	23-9
O 8 Montana	23-38
O 15 Eastern Washington+	26-38
O 22 Idaho	27-31
O 29 Weber State+	26-57
N 5 Cal Poly-SLO+	
N 12 Northridge State	23-9

Coach Steve Amaral • Colors: Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Lumberjacks • 1993 Record: 7-4

<b>NORTHERN ILLINOIS</b> DeKalb, IL	
S 1 Oklahoma State+	
S 10 SW Louisiana	19-33
S 17 Illinois	
S 24 Eastern Illinois+	
O 1 Nevada+	46-42
O 8 New Mexico State+	17-24
O 15 Pacific	21-16
O 22 Louisiana Tech	16-17
O 29 Vanderbilt	
N 5 Arkansas State	23-7
N 12 Arkansas+	

Coach Charlie Sandler • Colors: Cardinal & Black  
Nickname: Huskies • 1993 Record: 4-7

<b>NORTHERN IOWA</b> Cedar Falls IA	
S 3 Iowa State	
S 10 SW Texas State*	34-13
S 17 SW Missouri State+	20-14
S 24 McNeese State+	10-27
O 1 Indiana State	17-10
O 8 Eastern Illinois	31-27
O 22 Illinois State+	20-19
O 29 Western Illinois+	23-25
N 5 Idaho	
N 12 Southern Illinois	49-17

Coach Terry Allen • Colors: Purple & Gold  
Nickname: Panthers • 1993 Record: 8-4

#### **NORTH TEXAS** Denton TX

<b>NORTH TEXAS</b> Denton TX	
S 1 Abilene Christian+	33-13
S 10 SW Missouri State	34-33
S 24 Montana+	
O 1 Oklahoma State	35-26
O 8 SW Texas State	17-18
O 22 Northwestern State	37-39
O 29 Sam Houston State	14-24
N 5 Stephen F Austin	27-29
N 12 Nicholls State	63-21
N 19 Northeast Louisiana	31-51

Coach Matt Simon • Colors: Green & White  
Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 4-7

#### **NORTHWESTERN** Evanston IL

<b>NORTHWESTERN</b> Evanston IL	
S 3 Notre Dame @*	12-27
S 10 Stanford+	
S 17 Air Force	
O 1 Ohio State+	3-51
O 8 Wisconsin+	14-53
O 15 Minnesota	26-28
O 22 Indiana	0-24
O 29 Illinois+	13-20
N 5 Michigan State+	29-31
N 12 Iowa	19-23
N 19 Penn State	21-43

@ Al Chicago, IL

Coach Gary Barnett • Colors: Purple & White  
Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 2-9

#### **NORTHWESTERN STATE** Natchitoches LA

<b>NORTHWESTERN STATE</b> Natchitoches LA	
S 3 Southern University+	12-30
S 10 Grambling	
S 17 New Orleans	33-21
O 24 Texas State+	10-9
O 1 Texas State	4-2
O 15 Sam Houston State+	14-27
O 22 Prairie View	38-27
O 29 SW Texas State	5-1
N 3 Louisiana Tech	
N 2 Mississippi State+	7-24
N 19 Stephen F Austin	20-1

Coach Sam Groves • Colors: Purple & White  
Nickname: Cowboys • 1993 Record: 3-6

#### **NOTRE DAME** Notre Dame, IN

<b>NOTRE DAME</b> Notre Dame, IN	
S 3 Northwestern @	27-12
S 10 Michigan+	27-23
S 17 Michigan State	36-14
S 24 Purdue	17-0
O 1 Stanford+	48-20
O 8 Boston College	39-41
O 15 Brigham Young	45-20
O 29 Navy	58-27
N 12 Florida State	31-24
N 19 Air Force	
N 26 Southern Cal	31-13

@ Al Chicago, IL

# At Orlando, FL

Coach Lou Holtz • Colors: Gold & Blue

Nickname: Fighting Irish • 1993 Record: 11-1

#### **OHIO STATE** Columbus OH

<b>OHIO STATE</b> Columbus OH	
S 10 Washington	2-2
S 7 Pittsburgh	63-29
S 24 Houston	
O 1 Northwestern	51-3
O 8 Illinois	20-12
O 15 Michigan State	28-21
O 22 Purdue	45-24
O 29 Penn State	24-6
N 5 Wisconsin	14-14
N 12 Indiana	23-17
N 19 Michigan+	0-28

Coach John Cooper • Colors: Scarlet & Gray

Nickname: Buckeyes • 1993 Record: 10-1-1

#### **OHIO UNIVERSITY** Athens, OH

<b>OHIO UNIVERSITY</b> Athens, OH	
S 10 Pittsburgh	
S 17 Utah State	
S 24 Ball State	16-24
O 1 Toledo+	10-20
O 8 Bowling Green	0-20
O 15 Miami (OH)+	22-20
O 22 Kent	15-10
O 29 Central Michigan	0-38
N 5 Western Michigan	28-34
N 12 Eastern Michigan	12-10
N 19 Akron	21-13

Coach Tom Lichtenberg • Colors: Kelly Green & White

Nickname: Bobcats • 1993 Record: 4-7

#### **OKLAHOMA** Norman OK

<b>OKLAHOMA</b> Norman OK	
S 3 Syracuse	
S 10 Texas A&M	44-14
S 17 Texas Tech	
D 1 Iowa State	24-7
D 8 Texas	38-17
D 15 Colorado	10-27
D 22 Kansas	38-23
D 29 Kansas State	7-21
N 5 Missouri	42-23
N 12 Oklahoma	31-0
N 25 Nebraska	7-21

Coach Geri Gross • Colors: Orange & Cream

Nickname: Sooners • 1993 Record: 10-0

#### **PENN STATE** University PA

<b>PENN STATE</b> University PA	
S 3 Texas+	
S 17 Ohio State	
S 24 Boston College	
O 1 Louisville	
O 8 Syracuse	
O 15 West Virginia	
O 22 Virginia Tech	
O 29 Temple	
N 12 Miami	
N 19 Rutgers	

Coach John Major • Colors: Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Panthers • 1993 Record: 3-8

#### **PRINCETON** Princeton NJ

<b>PRINCETON</b> Princeton NJ	
S 17 Cornell	
S 24 Cornell+	
O 1 Bucknell	
O 8 Brown	
O 15 Fordham	
O 22 Harvard	
O 29 Columbia	
N 5 Pennsylvania	
N 12 Yale	
N 19 Dartmouth	

Coach Steve Tischler • Colors: Orange & Blue  
Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 8-2

#### **PURDUE** West Lafayette IN

<b>PURDUE</b> West Lafayette IN	
S 10 Toledo	*
S 17 Ball State	
S 24 Notre Dame	
O 1 Illinois	
O 8 Minnesota	
O 15 Wisconsin	
O 22 Ohio State	
O 29 Iowa	
N 5 Michigan	
N 12 Michigan State	
N 19 Indiana	

Coach Jim Colletto • Colors: Old Gold & Black  
Nickname: Boilermakers • 1992 Record: 1-10

**RHODE ISLAND** Kingston, RI

S. 3 William & Mary+	
S. 10 Maine	23-26
S. 17 Northeastern	15-13
S. 24 Brown+	30-7
O. 1 Massachusetts	14-36
O. 8 Boston University+	15-48
O. 22 Connecticut	9-41
O. 29 New Hampshire+	33-51
N. 5 Hofstra	37-32
N. 12 Delaware State+	
N. 19 Delaware	11-32

Coach: Floyd Keith • Colors: Blue, White &amp; Gold

Nickname: Rams • 1993 Record: 3-8

**RICE** Houston, TX

S. 10 Tulane	34-0
S. 17 Kansas State	
S. 24 Iowa State	49-21
O. 1 Texas+	36-55
O. 8 Texas Christian	34-19
O. 15 Texas Tech+	16-45
O. 22 Texas A&M	10-38
N. 5 Southern Methodist+	31-24
N. 12 Baylor+	14-38
N. 19 Navy	
N. 26 Houston	37-7

Coach: Ken Haffield • Colors: Blue &amp; Gray

Nickname: Owls • 1993 Record: 6-5

**RICHMOND** Richmond, VA

S. 3 VMI	35-14
S. 10 Massachusetts+	24-29
S. 17 Connecticut	3-21
S. 24 Northeastern	24-21
O. 1 Villanova	21-7
O. 8 Maine+	17-14
O. 15 Delaware	10-48
O. 22 Boston University	14-44
N. 29 James Madison	20-13
N. 5 New Hampshire	20-13
N. 19 William & Mary+	17-31

Coach: Jim Marshall • Colors: Blue &amp; Red

Nickname: Spiders • 1993 Record: 5-6

**ROBERT MORRIS** Cresson, PA

S. 3 Waynesburg	
S. 10 Monmouth	
S. 17 Central Connecticut State	
S. 24 Gannon	
O. 8 Duquesne	
O. 15 Wagner	
O. 29 St. Francis (PA)	
N. 5 Bethany	
N. 12 Mercyhurst	

Coach: Joe Walton • Colors: Blue &amp; White

Nickname: Colonials • 1993 Record: 0-0

**RUTGERS** New Brunswick, NJ

S. 3 Kent+	
S. 10 West Virginia+	22-58
S. 17 Syracuse	18-31
O. 24 Penn State	7-31
O. 1 Miami+	17-31
O. 8 Army	45-38
O. 15 Cincinnati	
O. 22 Boston College	21-31
N. 5 Temple	62-0
N. 12 Virginia Tech	42-49
N. 19 Pittsburgh	10-21

Coach: Doug Gruber • Colors: Scarlet

Nickname: Scarlet Knights • 1993 Record: 4-7

**SACRAMENTO STATE** Sacramento, CA

S. 10 San Francisco State+	49-10
S. 17 Stephen F Austin	
S. 24 Chico State	
O. 1 Montana State	
O. 8 JC Davis	32-47
O. 22 Portland State	
O. 29 Southern Utah	17-23
N. 5 St. Mary's	14-27
N. 12 Cal Poly-SLO	35-33
N. 18 Northridge State	31-30

Coach: Mike Clemons • Colors: Green &amp; Gold

Nickname: Hornets • 1993 Record: 4-6

**SAINT FRANCIS** Loretto, PA

S. 3 Gannon	0-20
S. 10 Duquesne	34-35
S. 17 Sacred Heart	16-14
S. 24 Bethany	
O. 1 Mercyhurst	26-39
O. 8 Monmouth	25-14
O. 22 Central Connecticut	29-27
O. 29 Robert Morris	
N. 5 Marist	7-15
N. 12 Wagner	21-31

Coach: Frank Pergolizzi • Colors: Red &amp; White

Nickname: Rams • 1993 Record: 3-7

**ST. JOHN'S** Jamaica, NY

S. 10 Sacred Heart	30-0
S. 24 Monmouth	
O. 1 Marist	31-30
O. 8 Georgetown	25-24
O. 15 Canisius	16-23
O. 22 St. Peter's	29-28
O. 29 Siena	28-6
N. 5 Duquesne	37-12
N. 12 Iona	30-42
N. 24 Pace	44-16

Coach: Bob Ricca • Colors: Red &amp; White

Nickname: Red Storm • 1994 Record: 8-3

**SAINT MARY'S** Moraga, CA

S. 3 San Francisco State	27-6
S. 10 San Diego	
S. 17 Sonoma State	44-23
S. 24 UC Davis	21-28
O. 1 Humboldt State	21-0
O. 8 Chico State	27-15
O. 15 Northridge State	
O. 22 Southern Utah	35-35
O. 29 Cal Poly-SLO	37-58
N. 5 Sacramento State	27-14

Coach: Mike Rasmussen • Colors: Red &amp; Blue

Nickname: Gaels • 1993 Record: 6-3

**ST. PETER'S** Jersey City, NJ

S. 17 Siena	31-0
S. 24 Duquesne	
O. 1 Central Connecticut	7-9
O. 8 Mand	
O. 15 Iona	26-35
O. 22 St. John's	28-29
O. 29 Canisius	20-29
N. 5 Wagner	
N. 12 Georgetown	14-26

Coach: Mark Collins • Colors: Blue &amp; White

Nickname: Peacocks • 1993 Record: 3-7

**SAMFORD** Birmingham, AL

S. 3 Belief College	
S. 10 Eastern Kentucky	
S. 17 Tennessee Tech	30-3
S. 24 Nichols State	21-6
O. 8 Central Florida	17-48
O. 15 Mississippi College	14-21
O. 22 Southern Mississippi	
O. 29 Alcorn State	
N. 5 Morgan State	
N. 12 Austin Peay	
N. 19 Troy State	24-52

Coach: Pete Hurt • Colors: Red &amp; Blue

Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 5-6

**SAM HOUSTON STATE** Huntsville, TX

S. 3 Jacksonville State	
S. 10 SE Missouri State	40-7
S. 17 Angelo State	
S. 24 Abilene State	24-31
O. 1 Texas Southern	
O. 8 Stephen F Austin	20-24
O. 15 Northwestern State	27-34
O. 22 McNeese State	14-37
O. 29 North Texas	24-14
N. 5 Nicholls State	19-20
N. 19 SW Texas State	35-10

Coach: Ron Rendleman • Colors: Orange &amp; White

Nickname: Bearcats • 1993 Record: 4-7

**SAN DIEGO** San Diego, CA

S. 3 Merrimack	32-7
S. 10 St. Mary's	
S. 17 Drake	14-17
S. 24 Cal Lutheran	27-21
O. 1 Valparaiso	25-35
O. 8 Wagner College	44-14
O. 22 Butler	21-27
O. 15 Evansville	28-27
N. 5 Azusa Pacific	24-21
N. 12 Dayton	7-30

Coach: Brian Fogarty • Colors: Navy Blue &amp; White

Nickname: Toreros • 1993 Record: 6-4

**SAN DIEGO STATE** San Diego, CA

S. 3 Navy	
S. 10 California	25-45
S. 17 Minnesota	48-17
S. 24 Colorado State	30-3
O. 1 Air Force	39-31
O. 8 Utah	41-45
O. 15 New Mexico	20-17
O. 22 Wyoming	38-43
O. 29 Hawaii	45-14
O. 10 Brigham Young	44-45
N. 26 Fresno State	37-83

Coach: Ted Toffler • Colors: Scarlet &amp; Black

Nickname: Aztecs • 1993 Record: 6-6

**SAN JOSE STATE** San Jose, CA

S. 3 Fresno State	
S. 10 Baylor	
S. 17 Stanford	28-31
S. 24 SW Louisiana	13-24
O. 1 California	13-46
O. 8 Washington	17-52
O. 22 Nevada	45-46
O. 29 Nevada-Las Vegas	14-28
N. 5 New Mexico State	52-13
N. 12 Louisiana Tech	31-6
N. 19 Pacific	20-24

Coach: John Ratliff • Colors: Gold, White &amp; Blue

Nickname: Spartans • 1993 Record: 2-9

**SIENA** Loudonville, NY

S. 17 St. Peter's	0-31
S. 24 Canisius	19-31
O. 1 Iona	2-54
D. 8 Rensselaer	6-56
O. 15 Bentley	14-47
O. 22 Duquesne	
O. 29 St. John's	8-28
N. 5 Georgetown	6-35
N. 12 Marist	0-28

Coach: Jack Dubois • Colors: Green &amp; Gold

Nickname: Saints • 1993 Record: 0-10

**SOUTH CAROLINA** Columbia, SC

S. 3 Georgia	23-21
S. 10 Arkansas	17-18
S. 17 Louisville	34-3
S. 24 Kentucky	17-21
O. 1 Louisiana State	
O. 8 East Carolina	27-3
O. 15 Mississippi State	0-23
O. 22 Vanderbilt	22-0
O. 29 Tennessee	3-55
N. 12 Florida	26-37
N. 18 Clemson	13-16

Coach: Brad Scott • Colors: Garnet &amp; Black

Nickname: Gamecocks • 1993 Record: 4-7

**ORANGEBURG** SC

S. 3 Winston-Salem St.	
S. 10 Furman	
S. 17 Charleston Southern	44-10
S. 24 Tennessee State	
O. 1 Jackson State	34-33
O. 8 Morgan State	49-13
O. 16 Bethune-Cookman	40-27
O. 22 Florida A&M	17-21
O. 29 Delaware State	38-15
N. 5 Howard	14-30
N. 19 North Carolina A&T	58-52

Coach: Willie Jeffries • Colors: Garnet &amp; Blue

Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 8-3

**BATON ROUGE** LA

S. 3 Northwestern State	30-13
S. 10 Alabama State	23-14
S. 17 Mississippi Valley	14-13
O. 1 North Carolina A&T	
O. 8 Prairie View A&M	46-6
O. 15 Jackson State	16-3
O. 22 Alcorn State	47-31
O. 29 Nicholls State	14-28
N. 5 Florida A&M	26-4
N. 12 Texas Southern	48-7
N. 26 Grambling	31-13
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Coach:

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<b>SOUTHERN UTAH</b> Cedar City UT	
S 3 Idaho+	27-31
S 10 Northern Arizona	27-31
S 17 Western State+	
S 24 Eastern New Mexico+	
D 1 UC Davis	26-27
D 15 Weber State	36-43
O 22 St. Mary's	35-35
O 29 Sacramento State	23-17
N 7 Northridge State	20-17
M 12 Portland State	14-24
N 19 Cal Poly-SLO	6-38

Coach Jack Bishop  
Colors: White, Scarlet & Royal Blue  
Nickname: Thunderbirds • 1993 Record: 3-7-1

<b>SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA</b> Lafayette, LA	
S 3 Kansas State	
S 10 Northern Illinois	33-19
S 17 Troy State	
S 24 San Jose State	24-13
O 1 Louisiana Tech	21-17
D 8 Arkansas State	19-3
O 15 Southern Mississippi	13-7
O 22 Utah State	13-34
N 5 Nevada-Las Vegas	31-14
N 12 Texas Tech	
N 19 Western Michigan	

Coach Nelson Stoltz • Colors: Vermilion & White  
Nickname: Ragin' Cajuns • 1993 Record: 8-3

<b>Springfield, MO</b>	
S 10 North Texas	33-34
S 17 Northern Iowa	14-20
S 24 Western Illinois	21-18
O 1 Eastern Illinois	13-35
O 8 Illinois State	40-28
O 15 Liberty	
O 22 Indiana State	31-21
O 29 Central State	
N 5 Southern Illinois	22-17
N 12 Tulsa	
N 19 Jacksonville State	24-7

Coach Jesse Branch • Colors: Maroon & White  
Nickname: Bears • 1993 Record: 7-4

## SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE

San Marcos, TX

S 1 Texas A&M-Kingsville	20-14
S 8 Northern Iowa	3-34
S 17 Pacific	
S 24 Northridge State	
O 1 Sonoma State	
O 8 North Texas	28-35
O 12 Nicholls State	37-63
O 29 Northwestern State	22-5
N 5 McNeese State	10-27
N 12 Stephen F Austin	7-29
N 19 Sam Houston State	10-35

Coach Jim Bob Heldt  
Colors: Maroon & Gold  
Nickname: Bobcats • 1993 Record: 2-9

## STANFORD

Stanford, CA

S 10 Northwestern	
S 17 San Jose State	31-28
S 24 Arizona	24-27
O 1 Notre Dame	20-48
D 8 Arizona State	30-38
O 15 Southern Cal	20-45
O 22 Oregon State	31-27
O 29 UCLA	25-28
N 5 Washington	14-31
N 12 Oregon	38-34
N 26 California	17-46

Coach Bill Walsh • Colors: Cardinal & White  
Nickname: Cardinals • 1993 Record: 4-7

## STEPHEN F. AUSTIN

Beaumont, TX

S 1 Youngstown State	35-15
S 10 Montana State	
S 17 Sacramento State	
S 24 Idaho	30-38
O 8 Sam Houston State	24-20
O 15 Nicholls State	35-21
O 22 Abilene Christian	
O 29 McNeese State	20-21
N 5 North Texas	29-27
N 12 SW Texas State	29-7
N 19 Northwestern State	51-20

Coach John Pearce • Colors: Purple & White  
Nickname: Lumberjacks • 1993 Record: 8-4

<b>SYRACUSE</b> Syracuse NY	
S 3 Oklahoma	24-21
S 10 Cincinnati	31-18
S 17 Rutgers	
S 24 East Carolina	41-22
O 1 Virginia Tech	24-45
D 8 Pittsburgh	28-21
O 22 Temple	52-9
N 5 Miami	3-49
N 12 Boston College	29-33
N 19 Maryland	
N 25 West Virginia	31-43

Coach Paul Pasqualoni • Colors: Orange  
Nickname: Orange • 1993 Record: 6-4-1

<b>TEMPLE</b> Philadelphia, PA	
S 3 Akron	7-31
S 17 East Carolina	21-56
S 24 Army	
O 8 Virginia Tech	7-55
O 15 Boston College	14-66
O 22 Syracuse	3-52
O 29 Pittsburgh	18-28
N 5 Rutgers	1-62
N 12 West Virginia	7-49
N 19 Miami	7-42

Coach Ron Dickerson • Colors: Cherry & White  
Nickname: Owls • 1993 Record: 1-10

<b>TENNESSEE</b> Knoxville TN	
S 3 UGA	
S 10 Georgia	38-6
S 17 Florida	34-41
S 24 Mississippi State	
O 1 Washington State	
O 8 Arkansas	28-14
O 15 Alabama	17-7
O 29 South Carolina	55-3
N 12 Memphis State	
N 14 Kentucky	48-0
N 26 Vanderbilt	52-14

Coach Philip Fulmer • Colors: Orange & White  
Nickname: Volunteers • 1993 Record: 9-2

<b>UT-CHATTANOOGA</b> Chattanooga TN	
S 3 Alabama	
S 10 Alcorn State	
S 17 Gardner Webb	59-34
S 24 Georgia Southern	0-45
O 1 Marshall	35-31
O 15 UMF	29-35
O 22 Western Carolina	10-41
O 29 Appalachian State	14-39
N 5 The Citadel	27-41
N 12 East Tennessee State	0-21
N 19 Furman	45-42

Coach Buddy Green • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Moccasons • 1993 Record: 4-7

<b>UT-MARTIN</b> Martin TN	
S 3 Southern Illinois	
S 17 La Sierra	
S 24 Southeast Missouri	17-14
O 1 Murray State	21-28 (OT)
O 8 Middle Tennessee State	24-4
O 15 Tennessee Tech	3-20
O 22 Tennessee State	21-14
O 28 Eastern Kentucky	0-30
N 5 Charleston Southern	
N 12 Morehead State	17-0
N 19 Austin Peay	39-33 (2OT)

Coach Don McCleary • Colors: Blue, Orange & White  
Nickname: Pacers • 1993 Record: 6-5

<b>TENNESSEE STATE</b> Nashville TN	
S 3 Middle Tennessee ST	34-33
S 10 Jackson State	18-24
S 17 Morehead State	15-0
S 24 South Carolina ST	0
O 1 Florida A&M	15-23
O 8 Eastern Kentucky	13-52
O 15 Austin Peay	21-16
O 22 JT Mann	14-21
N 5 Tennessee Tech	21-24
N 12 Murray State	26-13
N 19 5c Missouri State	13-14
@ Al Almanz, GA	

Coach Joe Gilliam, Sr. • Colors: Blue & White  
Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 4-7

<b>TENNESSEE TECH</b> Cookeville TN	
S 1 Lander Haven	45-14
S 10 Marshall	3-30
S 17 Samford	
S 24 Monmouth State	21-3
O 1 Austin Peay	35-17
D 8 SE Missouri State	24-3
O 5 JT Mann	20-3
O 22 Eastern Kentucky	7-10
D 29 Murray State	3-16
N 5 Tennessee State	24-21
N 19 Middle Tennessee ST	35-14

Coach Jim Ringland • Colors: Purple & Gold  
Nickname: Golden Eagles • 1993 Record: 8-3

<b>TEXAS</b> Austin, TX	
S 3 Pittsburgh	
S 10 Louisville	10-41
S 24 Texas Christian	24-3
D 1 Colorado	14-36
O 8 Oklahoma	17-38
D 15 Rice	55-38
D 22 Southern Methodist	37-10
O 29 Texas Tech	22-31
N 5 Texas A&M	9-18
N 12 Houston	34-16
N 24 Baylor	38-17
@ Al Dallas, TX	

Coach John Mackovic  
Colors: Burnt Orange & White  
Nickname: Longhorns • 1993 Record: 5-5-1

<b>TEXAS A&amp;M</b> College Station TX	
S 3 Louisiana State	24-0
S 10 Oklahoma	14-44
S 24 Southern Mississippi	
O 1 Texas Tech	2-5
O 15 Alabama	31-7
O 29 Appaian State	
N 5 South Carolina	55-3
N 12 Memphis State	
N 19 Kentucky	48-0
N 26 Vanderbilt	52-14

Coach RC Stoolmire • Colors: Maroon & White  
Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 10-2

<b>TEXAS-EL PASO</b> El Paso TX	
S 3 Wyoming	26-33
S 10 Eastern Illinois	
S 17 New Mexico State	14-31
S 24 Air Force	10-31
O 1 Hawaii	0-52
O 8 Tulsa	
J 15 Colorado State	0-52
O 22 Brigham Young	16-47
O 29 Houston	28-10
N 5 Navy	19-34
N 12 Southern Methodist	15-21
N 19 Texas A&M	3-59
N 25 Texas Tech	21-49

Coach Pat Sullivan • Colors: Purple & White  
Nickname: Horned Frogs • 1993 Record: 4-7

<b>SOUTHERN</b> Houston TX	
S 3 Prairie View	30-8
S 17 Morgan State	
S 24 Southern University	7-48
O 1 Sam Houston State	
O 8 Alcorn State	41-44
C 15 Adams State	28-38
O 22 Mississippi Valley	27-41
O 29 Grambling	26-50
N 5 Jackson State	12-38
N 12 East Texas State	7-18
N 19 Jane College	

Coach Charlie Bailey • Colors: Orange, White & Blue  
Nickname: Miners • 1993 Record: 1-1

<b>TEXAS</b> Dallas, TX	
S 3 Missouri	
S 10 Memphis State	
S 17 Wyoming	
S 24 Oklahoma State	
S 8 Texas-El Paso	
O 15 Nevada-Las Vegas	
O 22 East Carolina	
D 29 Southern Mississippi	
N 12 SW Missouri State	
N 19 Cincinnati	
N 26 Louisvile	

Coach Dave Rader • Colors: Maroon & Gray  
Nickname: Golden Hurricane • 1993 Record: 4-5-1

<b>TEXAS TECH</b> Lubbock TX	
S 3 New Mexico	
S 8 Nebraska	27-50
S 17 Oklahoma	10-41
S 24 Southern Methodist	41-24
O 1 Texas A&M	6-30
O 8 Rice	45-16
O 22 Baylor	26-28
O 29 Texas	31-22
N 12 SW Louisiana	
N 19 Houston	58-7
N 25 Texas Christian	49-21
@ A San Antonio, TX	

Coach Spike Dykes • Colors: Scarlet & Black  
Nickname: Red Raiders • 1993 Record: 6-6

**TOLEDO** Toledo, OH	


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**UCLA** Los Angeles, CA

S 3 Tennessee+	
S 10 Southern Methodist+	
S 17 Nebraska	13-14
S 24 Washington State+	40-27
D 1 Washington	39-25
O 8 California	25-27
O 5 Oregon State+	20-7
D 22 Arizona	37-17
O 29 Stanford+	28-25
N 12 Arizona State	3-9
N 19 Southern Calif.	27-21

Coach Terry Donahue • Colors: Blue & Gold  
Nickname: Bruins • 1993 Record: 8-4

**UTAH** Salt Lake City, UT

S 3 Utah	31-29
S 10 Idaho State	
S 17 Oregon	
S 24 Wyoming	12-28
O 1 San Diego State	45-41
O 8 Hawaii	30-41
D 22 Colorado State	38-21
O 29 Texas-E. Paso	45-29
N 5 New Mexico	35-42
N 12 Air Force	41-24
N 19 Brigham Young	34-31

Coach Ron McBride • Colors: Crimson & White  
Nickname: Utes • 1993 Record: 7-6

**UTAH STATE** Logan, UT

S 3 Utah	29-31
S 10 Colorado State	
S 17 S.W. Louisiana	34-13
S 24 Louisiana Tech	24-13
O 1 Brigham Young	58-56
O 8 Arizona	
O 22 Nevada-Las Vegas	33-26
O 29 Pacific	24-21
N 12 Nevada	44-48
N 19 New Mexico State	20-17

Coach Charlie Weislerbie  
Colors: Navy Blue & White  
Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 7-5

**VALPARAISO** Valparaiso, IN

S 3 St. Ambrose	37-30
S 17 Millikin	36-34
S 24 Kalamazoo	
O 1 San Diego	35-25
O 8 Butler	0-10
O 15 Drake	12-3
O 22 Evansville	28-34
O 29 Dayton	10-38
N 5 Aurora	
N 12 Kentucky Wesleyan	

Coach Tom Horne • Colors: Brown & Gold  
Nickname: Crusaders • 1993 Record: 5-3

**VANDERBILT** Nashville, TN

S 3 Wake Forest	27-10
S 10 Alabama	6-17
S 17 Mississippi	7-49
O 1 Arkansas	
O 8 Cincinnati	17-7
O 15 Georgia	3-4
O 22 South Carolina	0-22
O 29 Northern Illinois	
N 5 Kentucky	12-7
N 19 Florida	0-52
N 26 Tennessee	14-62

Coach Gerry DiNardo • Colors: Black & Gold  
Nickname: Commodores • 1993 Record: 4-7

**VILLANOVA** Villanova, PA

S 3 Fordham	25-5
S 9 Liberty	9-27
S 17 Delaware	7-19
S 24 Boston University	15-30
O 1 Richmond	7-2
O 8 Connecticut	17-14
O 5 James Madison	3-42
O 22 Northeastern	3-27
O 29 William & Mary	17-51
N 5 West Chester	
N 12 New Hampshire	4-45

Coach Andy Talley • Colors: Blue & White  
Nickname: Wildcats • 1992 Record: 3-8

**VIRGINIA** Charlottesville, VA

S 3 Florida State	14-4C
S 10 Navy	38-0
S 17 Clemson	14-23
O 1 William & Mary	
O 8 Wake Forest	21-9
O 15 Georgia Tech	35-14
O 22 North Carolina	17-0
N 5 Duke	35-0
N 12 Maryland	42-29
N 19 Virginia Tech	17-20
N 25 North Carolina State	29-34

Coach George Welsh • Colors: Orange & Blues  
Nickname: Cavaliers • 1993 Record: 7-5

**VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE**

Lexington, VA

S 3 Richmond	14-38
S 17 East Tennessee St.	7-0
S 24 William & Mary	6-49
O 1 Georgia Southern	0-57
O 8 Marshall	0-51
O 15 J.T. Chatonagoa	35-23
O 22 Furman	0-24
O 29 Western Carolina	14-38
N 5 James Madison	
N 12 The Citadel	33-34
N 19 Appalachian State	21-35
(At Norfolk, VA)	

Coach Bill Stewart • Colors: Red, White & Yellow  
Nickname: Keydets • 1993 Record: 1-10

**VIRGINIA TECH** Blacksburg, VA

S 3 Arkansas State	*
S 10 Southern Mississippi	
S 17 Boston College	34-48
S 22 West Virginia	13-14
O 1 Syracuse	45-24
O 8 Temple	55-7
O 15 East Carolina	31-2
O 22 Pittsburgh	63-21
O 29 Miami	2-21
N 12 Rutgers	49-42
N 19 Virginia	20-17

Coach Frank Beamer • Colors: Maroon & Orange  
Nickname: Hokies • 1993 Record: 9-3

**WAGNER** Staten Island, NY

S 8 Springfield	*
S 17 C.W. Post	27-21
S 24 Marist	22-6
O 1 Monmouth	13-7
O 8 San Diego	14-41
O 15 Robert Morris	
O 22 Iona	32-0
O 29 Central Connecticut State	22-15
N 5 St. Peter's	
N 12 St. Francis (PA)	31-21

Coach Walt Hamline • Colors: Green & White  
Nickname: Spartans • 1993 Record: 9-2

**WAKE FOREST** Winston-Salem, NC

S 3 Vanderbilt	12-27
S 10 Appalachian State	20-3
S 17 Florida State	0-54
S 24 Maryland	32-33
O 1 Army	
O 8 Virginia	9-21
O 15 North Carolina St.	16-34
O 22 Duke	13-21
O 29 Clemson	20-16
N 12 North Carolina	35-45
N 19 Georgia Tech	28-38

Coach Jim Caldwell • Colors: Old Gold & Black  
Nickname: Demon Deacons • 1993 Record: 2-9

**WASHINGTON** Seattle, WA

S 3 Southern Cal	17-22
S 10 Ohio State	12-21
S 24 Miami	
O 1 JC A	25-39
O 8 San Jose State	52-17
O 15 Arizona State	17-32
O 22 Oregon	21-6
O 29 Oregon State	28-21
N 5 Stanford	31-14
N 12 California	24-23
N 19 Washington State	26-3

Coach Jim Lambright • Colors: Purple & Gold  
Nickname: Huskies • 1993 Record: 7-4

**WASHINGTON STATE** Pullman, WA

S 3 Wyoming	
S 10 Fresno State	38-0
S 17 Clemson	14-23
O 1 Tennessee	
O 8 Wake Forest	21-9
O 15 Georgia Tech	35-14
O 22 Arizona	44-25
O 29 California	34-7
N 5 Southern Cal	3-34
N 12 Oregon State	51-6
N 19 Washington	3-26

Coach Mike Price • Colors: Crimson & Gray  
Nickname: Cougars • 1993 Record: 5-6

**WEBER STATE** Ogden, UT

S 3 Western Montana	*
S 10 Montana Tech	
S 17 Eastern Washington	10-14
O 1 Northeast Louisiana	22-36
O 8 Boise State	21-14
O 15 Southern Utah	43-39
O 22 Montana	17-45
O 29 Northern Arizona	67-28
N 5 Idaho State	21-17
N 12 Idaho	0-56

Coach Dave Arntzen  
Colors: Royal Purple & White  
Nickname: Cowboys • 1993 Record: 7-4

**WESTERN CAROLINA** Cullowhee, NC

S 1 Eastern Michigan	*
S 17 Colorado	
S 24 Indiana	27-15
O 1 Michigan State	41-20
O 8 Northwestern	53-14
O 15 Purdue	42-28
O 22 Minnesota	21-28
O 29 Michigan	13-10
N 5 Ohio State	14-14
N 12 Cincinnati	
N 19 Illinois	35-10

Coach Steve Hodges • Colors: Green, Purple & Gold  
Nickname: Catamounts • 1993 Record: 5-5

**WESTERN ILLINOIS** Macomb, IL

S 1 Iowa Wesleyan	*
S 8 Western Michigan	
S 17 Illinois State	17-20
O 24 SW Missouri State	18-21
O 1 Southern Illinois	14-13
O 15 Indiana State	6-16
O 22 Eastern Illinois	28-14
O 29 Northern Iowa	25-23
N 5 Jacksonville State	
N 12 Buffalo	

Coach Randy Ball • Colors: Purple & Gold  
Nickname: Leatherbacks • 1993 Record: 4-7

**BOWLING GREEN** Bowling Green, KY

S 1 Eastern Kentucky	15-10
S 17 Austin Peay	28-27
S 25 Central Florida	
O 1 Alabama-Birmingham	40-13
O 8 Portland State	
O 15 Jacksonville State	12-7
O 22 Southern Illinois	51-24
O 29 Troy State	24-31
N 5 Indiana State	14-41
N 12 Eastern Illinois	28-14
N 19 Murray State	44-14

Coach Jack Harbaugh • Colors: Black & White  
Nickname: Hilltoppers • 1993 Record: 8-3

**WESTERN MICHIGAN** Kalamazoo, MI

S 3 Miami (OH)	17-0
S 8 Western Illinois	*
S 17 Iowa State	
S 24 Akron	20-3
O 1 Kent	27-21
O 8 Central Michigan	18-23
O 15 Ball State	
O 22 Eastern Michigan	21-20
N 5 Ohio University	34-28
N 12 Toledo	39-26
N 19 SW Louisiana	

Coach Al Woyke • Colors: Brown & Gold  
Nickname: Huskies • 1993 Record: 7-3-1

**WEST VIRGINIA** Morgantown, WV

S 28 Nebraska	
S 3 Bar State	
S 10 Rutgers	58-22
S 17 Maryland	42-37
S 22 Virginia Tech	14-13
O 1 Missouri	35-3
O 15 Pittsburgh	42-21
O 22 Miami	17-14
O 29 Louisiana Tech	17-14
N 12 Temple	49-7
N 19 Boston College	17-14
N 24 Syracuse	43-0

(At East Rutherford, NJ)

Coach Don Nehlen • Colors: Old Gold & Blue  
Nickname: Mountaineers • 1993 Record: 11-7

**WILLIAM & MARY** Williamsburg, VA

S 3 Rhode Island	
S 10 Delaware	35-42
S 17 Tulane	*
S 24 V.M.	49-6
O 1 Virginia	
O 8 Northeastern	53-6
O 15 Massachusetts	45-28
O 22 James Madison	31-26
O 29 Villanova	51-17
N 5 Maine	47-23
N 19 Richmond	31-17

Coach Jimmie Laycock • Colors: Green & Gold  
Nickname:

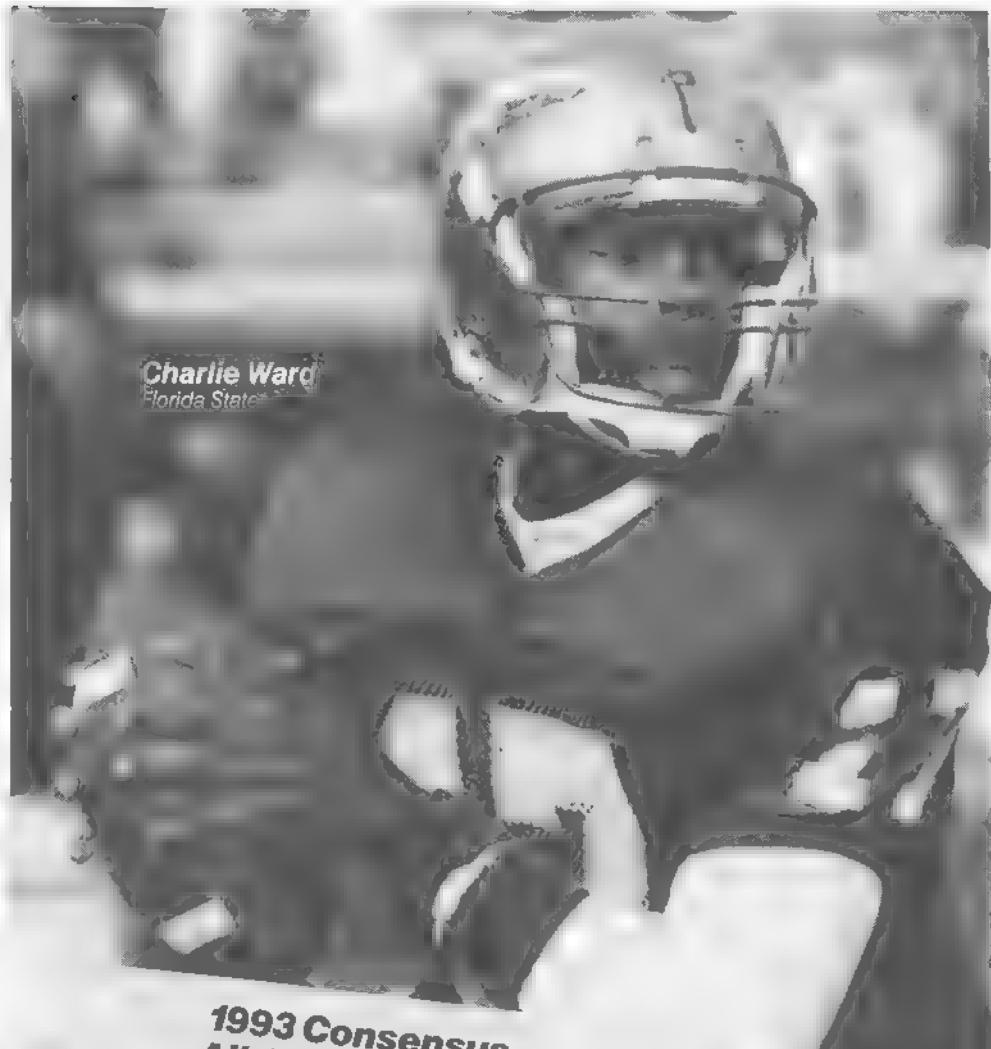
# Award Winners

Quarterback Charlie Ward of Florida State became the first Heisman Trophy winner since Pittsburgh's Tony Dorsett in 1976 to play for a national championship team. A consensus All-America and the recipient of the Maxwell, Davey O'Brien, Johnny Unitas Golden Arm, and Walter Camp Player of the Year Awards, Ward collected a record 91 percent of the first-place Heisman votes, easily outpolling Tennessee quarterback Heath Shuler. The first Seminole player to be so honored, the versatile Ward completed 264 of 380 passes for 3,032 yards and seven touchdowns and rushed 65 times for 452 yards and a pair of TDs a year ago. He capped off his remarkable season by being named the Most Valuable Player in Florida State's 18-16 Orange Bowl victory over Nebraska.

Byron Morris of Texas Tech won the Doak Walker Trophy as the top running back in the nation, Trev Alberts of Nebraska the Butkus Award as the premier linebacker, offensive tackle Aaron Taylor of Notre Dame the Vince Lombardi/Rotary Award as the outstanding lineman and Arizona nose guard Rob Waidrop the Outland Trophy as the outstanding interior lineman, Antonio Langham of Alabama the Jim Thorpe Award as the best defensive back, and Florida's Judd Davis the Lou Groza Collegiate Place-Kicker Award.

Quarterback Doug Nussmeier of Idaho earned the Walter Payton Award, running back Roger Graham of New Haven the Harlon Hill Trophy, and quarterback Jim Ballard of Mount Union the John Gagliardi Trophy, the highest individual honors, respectively, in Divisions I-AA, II and III.

Wisconsin's Barry Alvarez (Bobby Dodd and AFCA Awards) and Auburn's Terry Bowden (Walter Camp and Bear Bryant Awards) were named the top coaches in the major college ranks. Dan Allen of Boston University took the Eddie Robinson Award as the top coach in Division I-AA. Other coaching honors went to Bobby Wallace of North Alabama in Division II and to Larry Kehres of Mount Union in Division III.



## 1993 Consensus All-America Team

### Offense

Quarterback	Charlie Ward	Florida State
Running back	*Marshall Faulk	San Diego State
Running back	*LeShon Johnson	Northern Illinois
Wide receiver	J.J. Stokes	UCLA
Wide receiver	Johnnie Morton	Southern Cal
Line	Mark Dixon	Virginia
Line	Stacy Seegars	Clemson
Line	*Aaron Taylor	Notre Dame
Center	Wayne Gandy	Auburn
Place-kicker	Jim Pyne	Virginia Tech
Kick returner	Bjorn Merten	UCLA
Defense	David Palmer	Alabama

### Line

Line	Rob Waldrop	Arizona
Line	Dan Wilkinson	Ohio State
Line	Sam Adams	Texas A&M
Linebacker	*Trev Alberts	Nebraska
Linebacker	*Derrick Brooks	Florida State
Linebacker	Jamir Miller	UCLA
Back	*Antonio Langham	Alabama
Back	Aaron Glenn	Texas A&M
Back	Jeff Burris	Notre Dame
Punter	Corey Sawyer	Florida State
	Terry Daniel	Auburn

\*Unanimous selection by Associated Press, United Press International, Football Writers Association of America, American Football Coaches Association, Kodak, the Walter Camp Foundation, the Football News and The Sporting News.

# 1993 College Football Recap

## Final Records

### Division I-A

#### American Coast

	conference	overall
Florida St.	8 0 0 12 1 0	
North Carolina	6 2 0 10 3 0	
Clemson	5 3 0 9 3 0	
Virginia	5 3 0 7 5 0	
North Carolina St.	4 4 0 7 5 0	
Georgia Tech	3 5 0 5 6 0	
Duke	2 6 0 3 8 0	
Maryland	1 6 0 2 9 0	
Wake Forest	1 7 0 2 9 0	

#### Big East

West Virginia	7 0 0 11 1 0
Miami	6 1 0 9 3 0
Boston College	5 2 0 9 3 0
Virginia Tech	4 3 0 9 3 0
Syracuse	3 4 0 6 4 1
Pittsburgh	2 5 0 3 8 0
Rutgers	1 6 0 4 7 0
Temple	0 7 0 1 10 0

#### Big Eight

Nebraska	7 0 0 11 1 0
Colorado	5 1 1 8 3 1
Kansas St	4 2 1 9 2 1
Oklahoma	4 3 0 9 3 0
Kansas	3 4 0 5 7 0
Missouri	2 5 0 3 7 1
Iowa St	2 5 0 3 8 0
Oklahoma St	0 7 0 3 8 0

#### Big Ten

Ohio St.	6 1 1 10 1 1
Wisconsin	6 1 1 10 1 1
Penn St	6 2 0 10 2 0
Indiana	5 3 0 8 4 0
Michigan	5 3 0 8 4 0
Illinois	5 3 0 5 6 0
Michigan St.	4 4 0 6 6 0
Iowa	3 5 0 6 6 0
Minnesota	3 5 0 4 7 0
Northwestern	0 8 0 2 9 0
Purdue	0 8 0 1 10 0

#### Big West

Southwestern La	5 1 0 8 3 0
Utah St.	5 1 0 7 5 0
Nevada	4 2 0 7 4 0
New Mexico St	4 2 0 5 6 0
Northern Illinois	3 3 0 4 7 0
Nevada-Las Vegas	2 4 0 3 8 0
Pacific	2 4 0 3 8 0
San Jose St	2 4 0 2 9 0
Louisiana Tech	2 4 0 2 9 0
Arkansas St	1 5 0 2 8 1

#### Mid-American

Bal St.	7 0 1 8 3 1
Western Michigan	6 1 1 7 3 1
Bowling Green	5 1 2 5 3 2
Central Michigan	5 4 0 5 6 0
Akron	4 4 0 5 6 0
Ohio	4 5 0 4 7 0
Toledo	3 5 0 4 7 0
Eastern Michigan	3 5 0 4 7 0
Miami (OH)	3 6 0 4 7 0
Kent	0 9 0 0 11 0

### Pacific-10

Arizona	6 2 0 10 2 0
UCLA	6 2 0 8 4 0
Southern Cal	6 2 0 8 5 0
Washington	5 3 0 7 4 0
California	4 4 0 9 4 0
Arizona St.	4 4 0 6 5 0
Washington St.	3 5 0 5 6 0
Oregon	2 6 0 5 6 9
Stanford	2 6 0 4 7 0
Oregon St	2 6 0 4 7 0

#### Midwest

Florida + Tennessee + Kentucky Georgia South Carolina Vanderbilt

#### East

Florida + Tennessee + Kentucky Georgia South Carolina Vanderbilt

#### West

Auburn + Alabama + Arkansas Louisiana St Mississippi St

\*Auburn on NCAA probation and ineligible for conference title. +Overall record includes SEC championship game as Florida defeated Alabama, 28-13, on December 4

### Texas A&M

### Texas Tech

### Texas

### Rice

### Bay or

### Texas Christian

### Southern Methodist

### Houston

### Eastern Kentucky

### Tennessee Tech

### UT-Martin

### Middle Tenn. St.

### Tennessee St.

### Murray St.

### Morehead St.

### SE Missouri St.

### Austin Peay

### Patriot League

### Lehigh

### Lafayette

### Bucknell

### Holy Cross

### Colgate

### Fordham

### Pioneer League

### Dalton

### Drake

### Butler

### Evansville

### San Diego St.

### Hawaii

### Air Force

### UTEP

### Independents

### Notre Dame

### Cincinnati

### Louisville

### Army

### Memphis St.

### Tulsa

### Navy

### Tulane

### Southern Mississippi

### East Carolina

### Division I-AA

### American West Conference

### conference overall

### Southern Utah

### UC Davis

### Cal St. Sacramento

### Cal Poly SLO

### Cal St. Northridge

### Notre Dame

### Elizabeth City St.

### Livingstone

### Eastern Collegiate\*

### Bentley

### Stonehill

### MIT

### Assumption

### W New England

### Cury

### Nichols

### McNeese St.

### NE Louisiana

### Stephen F Austin

### Northwestern (LA)

### Sam Houston St

### North Texas

### Nichols St

### Southwest Texas St

### Big Sky

Montana	7 0 0 10 2 0
Idaho	5 2 0 11 3 0
Eastern Washington	5 2 0 7 3 0
Montana St	4 3 0 7 4 0
Weber St	3 4 0 7 4 0
Northern Arizona	3 4 0 7 4 0
Boise St.	1 6 0 3 8 0
Idaho St.	0 7 0 2 9 0

### Gateway

Northern Iowa	5 1 0 8 4 0
SW Missouri St	4 2 0 7 4 0
Western Illinois	4 2 0 4 7 0
Illinois St.	2 3 1 6 4 1
Eastern Illinois	2 3 1 3 7 1
Indiana St.	2 4 0 4 7 0
Southern Illinois	1 5 0 2 9 0

### Ivy League

Pennsylvania	7 0 0 10 0 0
Dartmouth	6 1 0 7 3 0
Princeton	5 2 0 8 2 0
Brown	3 4 0 4 6 0
Cornell	3 4 0 4 6 0
Yale	2 5 0 3 7 0
Harvard	1 6 0 3 7 0
Columbia	1 6 0 2 8 0

### Independents

Youngstown St.	13 2 0
Troy St.	12 1 0
Alabama-Birmingham	9 2 0
Central Florida	9 3 0
Towson St.	8 2 0
Wagner	8 2 0
Western Kentucky	8 3 0
Hofstra	6 3 1
St. Mary's (CA)	6 3 1
Davidson	6 4 0
Liberty	6 5 0
Central Connecticut St.	5 5 0
Marist	5 5 0
Samford	5 6 0
Duquesne	4 6 0
Charleston Southern	3 8 0
St. Francis (PA)	2 7 0
Baltia	1 10 0

### Southwestern Athletic

Southern-B.R.	7 0 0 11 1 0
Acorn St.	6 1 0 8 3 0
Grambling	4 3 0 7 4 0
Alabama St.	3 3 1 5 4 1
Jackson St.	3 3 1 5 5 1
Mississippi Valley	2 3 2 4 4 2
Texas Southern	1 6 0 2 9 0
Prairie View	0 7 0 0 11 0

### Yankees

Mid Atlantic	13 2 0
William & Mary	7 1 0 9 3 0
Delaware	6 2 0 9 4 0
James Madison	4 5 0 6 5 0
Richmond	4 6 0 5 6 0
Villanova	2 7 0 3 8 0
Northeastern	2 8 0 2 9 0

### New England

Boston U.	9 0 0 12 1 0
Massachusetts	7 3 0 8 3 0
Connecticut	5 3 0 6 5 0
New Hampshire	5 5 0 6 5 0
Maine	2 7 0 3 8 0
Rhode Island	1 7 0 3 8 0

*UC Davis and Cal Poly SLO are Division II members, the others are Division I-AA
Central Intercollegiate Athletic
Hampton
Virginia St.
Winston-Salem
N.C. Central
Fayetteville St.
Bowie St.
Johnson Smith
North St.
Virginia Union
Elizabeth City St.
Livingstone

### Eastern Collegiate\*

Bentley	6 0 0 0 0 0
Stonehill	4 2 0 7 2 0
MIT	4 2 0 5 3 0
Assumption	4 2 0 6 4 0
W New England	

Gulf South						
North Alabama	7	0	0	14	0	0
Vanderbilt	5	2	0	8	3	0
Central Arkansas	4	3	0	6	4	1
West Georgia	4	3	0	4	6	0
Henderson St.	2	5	0	4	6	0
Louisiana	1	5	1	2	7	1
Delta St.	1	6	0	3	7	0
Mississippi College*	3	3	1	6	3	1

\*Ineligible for the conference championship

## Lone Star

Lone Star						
Texas A&M-Kingsville	5	0	0	7	6	0
Angelo St.	3	2	0	7	3	0
Abilene Christian	3	2	0	7	3	0
Central Oklahoma	2	3	0	7	3	0
East Texas St.	1	4	0	5	6	0
Eastern New Mexico	1	4	0	1	8	1

## Mid-America Intercollegiate

Mid-America Intercollegiate						
Missouri Southern St.	9	0	0	9	2	1
Pittsburg St.	8	1	0	8	4	0
Missouri Western St.	6	2	1	8	2	1
Central Missouri St.	6	2	1	7	2	1
NE Missouri St.	5	4	0	6	5	0
Emporia St.	3	6	0	3	7	0
NW Missouri St.	3	6	0	3	8	0
Missouri-Rolla	2	7	0	3	7	0
Southwest Baptist	2	7	0	2	9	0
Washburn	0	9	0	0	10	0

## Midwest Intercollegiate

Midwest Intercollegiate						
Ferris St.	8	0	2	9	1	2
Ashland	8	2	0	9	2	0
Grand Valley St.	6	2	2	6	3	2
Hillsdale	6	3	1	7	3	1
Northern Michigan	5	4	1	5	4	1
Wayne St. (MI)	5	5	0	6	5	0
St. Francis (IL)	5	5	0	5	6	0
Saginaw Valley	4	6	0	4	7	0
Northwood	2	7	1	3	7	1
St. Joseph's (IN)	1	8	1	1	8	1
Indianapolis	1	9	0	2	9	0
Michigan Tech*	-	-	-	6	4	0

\*Affiliated member in 1993 and will

become a full participating member in 1994

## Mid-Continent

Mid-Continent						
Intercollegiate Athletic						
Mankato St.	7	2	0	10	1	0
North Dakota	7	2	0	10	3	0
Northern Colorado	6	3	0	8	3	0
North Dakota St.	6	3	0	7	3	0
South Dakota St.	6	3	0	7	4	0
South Dakota	4	5	0	6	5	0
St. Cloud St.	4	5	0	5	5	0
Augustana (SD)	3	6	0	4	7	0
Nebraska-Omaha	1	8	0	2	9	0
Morningside	1	8	0	2	9	0

## Northern California Athletic

Northern California Athletic						
Cal St. Chico	3	0	1	4	4	1
Cal St. Hayward	2	2	0	3	6	0
Sonoma St.	2	2	0	2	7	0
Humboldt St.	1	2	1	4	6	1
San Francisco St.	1	3	0	4	7	0

## Northern Sun Intercollegiate

Northern Sun Intercollegiate						
Whitman St.	5	1	0	7	4	0
Minnesota-Duluth	4	2	0	8	3	0
Moorehead St.	4	2	0	6	4	0
Nothern St.	4	2	0	6	5	0
Southwest St.	3	3	0	4	5	0
Minnesota-Morris	1	5	0	2	9	0
Bemidji St.	0	6	0	0	10	0

## Pennsylvania State

### Athletic Conference

Western Division						
Indiana	6	0	0	13	1	0
Edinboro	5	1	0	8	3	0
Shippensburg	3	3	0	6	4	0
Carnegie	3	3	0	5	5	0
California	2	4	0	6	5	0
Lock Haven	2	4	0	4	7	0
Wilkes-Barre	0	6	0	2	9	0

Eastern Division						
Millersville	6	0	0	8	2	0
East Stroudsburg	4	2	0	7	2	1
West Chester	4	2	0	6	5	0
Bloomsburg	4	2	0	5	6	0
Mansfield	2	4	0	2	8	0
Cheyney	1	5	0	3	8	0
Kutztown	0	6	0	2	9	0

## Rocky Mountain Athletic

Rocky Mountain Athletic						
Fort Hays St.	6	1	0	8	4	0
Western St.	5	2	0	8	3	0
N.M. Highlands	5	2	0	6	4	0
Mesa St.	5	2	0	5	5	0
Adams St.	3	4	0	4	6	0
Chadron St.	2	5	0	5	6	0
Colorado Mines	2	5	0	2	7	1
Fort Lewis	0	7	0	1	9	0

## Illini Collegiate

Illini Collegiate						
Carson-Newman	7	0	0	8	3	1
Eton	5	2	0	8	3	0
Lenoir-Rhyne	4	3	0	7	3	0
Prestbyterian	4	3	0	5	6	0
Wingate	3	4	0	6	5	0
Mars Hill	2	5	0	4	6	0
Gardner-Webb	0	7	0	1	9	0

## Southern Intercollegiate

Southern Intercollegiate						
Albany St. (GA)	7	0	0	11	0	0
Fort Valley St.	5	1	1	6	4	1
Savannah St.	4	1	2	5	3	2
Morehouse	4	3	0	5	5	0
Alabama A&M	3	3	1	4	6	0
Morris Brown	3	4	0	4	6	0
Tuskegee	3	4	0	3	8	0
Clark Atlanta	1	6	0	2	8	0
Miles	0	7	0	0	10	0

## Texas Intercollegiate

Texas Intercollegiate						
Hardin-Simmons	5	0	0	10	3	0
McMurry	4	1	0	8	2	0
Austin	2	3	0	4	6	0
Midwestern St.	2	3	0	3	6	0
Howard Payne	2	3	0	3	7	0
St. Ross	0	5	0	0	9	0

## West Virginia Intercollegiate

West Virginia Intercollegiate						
Glenville St.	6	1	0	10	3	0
West Virginia Wesleyan	5	2	0	7	3	0
Shepherd	5	2	0	5	5	0
West Liberty St.	5	2	0	5	5	0
Concord	4	3	0	4	6	0
Fairmont St.	2	5	0	3	7	0
West Virginia St.	1	6	0	1	9	0
West Virginia Tech	0	7	0	0	10	0

## Independents

Independents						
New Haven	11	0	0	0	0	0
Quincy	9	0	0	0	0	0
L. C. W. Post	10	1	0	0	0	0
Wayne St. (NE)	9	1	0	0	0	0
Portland St.	8	3	0	0	0	0
Wofford	7	3	1	0	0	0
Gannon	6	4	0	0	0	0
Kentucky Wesleyan	6	4	0	0	0	0
Mercuryhurst	5	5	0	0	0	0
Massachusetts-Lowell	5	5	0	0	0	0
West Texas A&M	3	6	0	0	0	0
Southern Connecticut St.	3	7	0	0	0	0
Jacksonville St.	3	7	0	0	0	0
Nebraska-Kearney	3	7	0	0	0	0
Springfield	3	7	0	0	0	0
Sacred Heart	2	7	0	0	0	0
Newberry	2	8	0	0	0	0
Kentucky St.	2	9	0			

**Presidents' Athletic**

Wash. & Jeff.	4	0	0	11	1	0
Grove City	2	2	0	5	4	0
Bethany (WV)	2	2	0	4	4	1
Waynesburg	1	3	0	3	6	0
Thiel	1	3	0	2	7	0

**Southern California****Intercollegiate Athletic**

La Verne	6	0	0	7	2	0
Occidental	5	1	0	8	1	0
Redlands	3	3	0	6	3	0
Cal Lutheran	3	3	0	5	4	0
Whittier	3	3	0	4	5	0
Citrus-M-S	1	5	0	1	6	1
Pomona-Pitzer	0	6	0	1	7	0

**Southern Collegiate Athletic**

Trinity (TX)	4	0	0	6	4	0
M. Isaps	2	2	0	5	4	0
Rhodes	2	2	0	3	7	0
Sewanee	1	3	0	4	5	0
Centre	1	3	0	4	5	0

**University Athletic Association**

Carnegie-Mellon	4	0	0	8	2	0
Rochester	3	1	0	5	4	0
Chicago	2	2	0	5	5	0
Washington (MD)	1	3	0	6	4	0
Case Reserve*	0	4	0	2	8	0

\*Also member of North Coast Athletic Conference

**Wisconsin State University**

Wis-La Crosse	7	0	0	12	1	0
Wis-Stevens Point	6	1	0	8	2	0
Wis-Whitewater	5	2	0	6	4	0
Wis-River Falls	3	4	0	6	4	0
Wis-Eau Claire	3	4	0	4	6	0
Wis-Platteville	2	5	0	3	7	0
Wis-Oshkosh	1	6	0	3	7	0
Wis-Stout	1	6	0	2	8	0

**Independents**

Union (NY)	9	1	0			
Trinity (CT)	8	0	0			
Frostburg St.	10	2	0			
Colorado College	8	1	0			
Northwestern (WV)	7	1	0			
Williams*	7	1	0			
Buena St.	7	3	0			
Rensselaer	7	2	0			
Wesleyan (CT)*	6	2	0			
Brookport St.	7	3	0			
Hobart	7	3	0			
Wesley	7	3	1			
Middlebury	5	3	0			
Save Regis	5	3	0			
Albany (NY)	6	4	0			
Ithaca	6	4	0			
MacMurray	6	4	1			
Maryville (TN)	6	4	0			
Fairmont	5	4	0			
St. John Fisher	5	4	0			
Marist	3	3	1			
Principia	4	4	0			
Illinois Benedictine	4	5	1			
Aurora	4	5	0			
Alfred	4	6	0			
Methodist	4	6	0			
Amherst	3	5	0			
Blackburn	3	5	0			
Eureka	3	7	0			
Salisbury St.	2	7	0			
St. Lawrence	2	8	0			
Hamilton	1	7	0			
Tulane	1	7	0			
Catholic	1	9	0			
Cordond Sl.	1	9	0			
Meno.	0	8	1			
Gallaudet	0	7	0			
Concordia (IL)	0	10	0			
Bates*						
Bowdoin						
Colby*						

\*Member of New England Small College Athletic Conference, but league does not keep standings.

**Bowl Games**

LAS VEGAS	Utah State	42	/ Ball State	33
ALOHA	Colorado	41	/ Fresno State	30
COPPER	Kansas State	52	/ Wyoming	17
FREEDOM	Southern Cal	28	/ Utah	21
HOLIDAY	Ohio State	28	/ Brigham Young	21
INDEPENDENCE	Virginia Tech	45	/ Indiana	20
JOHN HANCOCK	Oklahoma	41	/ Texas Tech	10
GATOR	Alabama	24	/ North Carolina	10
LIBERTY	Louisiana 18	1	/ Michigan State	7
HALL OF FAME	Michigan	42	/ North Carolina St.	7
FLORIDA CITRUS	Penn State	31	/ Tennessee	13
COTTON	Notre Dame	24	/ Texas A&M	21
CARQUEST	Boston College	31	/ Virginia	13
FIESTA	Arizona	29	/ Miami	0
ROSE	Wisconsin	21	/ UCLA	16
ORANGE	Florida St.	18	/ Nebraska	16
SUGAR	Florida	41	/ West Virginia	7
PEACH	Clemson	14	/ Kentucky	13
ALAMO	California	37	/ Iowa	3
HERITAGE	Southern	11	/ South Carolina	0

**Division III Playoffs****First Round**

Mount Union	40			
Albion	41			
Wisconsin-La Crosse	55			
St. John's (MN)	32			
Washington & Jefferson	27			

**Quarterfinals**

Mount Union	30			
St. John's	47			
Washington & Jefferson	28			
Rowan	37			
William Paterson	28			

**Semifinals**

Mount Union	56			
Rowan	23			
Championship—Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl				
Mount Union	34			

**NAIA Division I Playoffs****First Round**

Central State (OH)	58			
Grenville State (WV)	41			
East Central (Ok)	24			
Arkansas-Monticello	26			
Langston (OK)	13			

**Semifinals**

Grenville State	13			
East Central	27			
Championship				
East Central	49			
Grenville State	35			

**NAIA Division II Playoffs****First Round**

Pacific Lutheran	61			
Central Washington	28			
Westminster (PA)	20			
Finn'say (OH)	28			
Hardin-Simmons (TX)	49			

**Quarterfinals**

Baker	28			
Westminster	24			
Hardin-Simmons	30			
Pacific Lutheran	35			
Central Washington	17			

**Semifinals**

Pacific Lutheran	52			
Westminster	10			
Baker	14			
Hardin-Simmons	0			
Pacific Lutheran	50			

**NAIA Division III Playoffs****First Round**

Westminster	20			
North Alabama	41			
Indiana	34			
North Alabama	27			
Indiana	21			

**Championship**

North Alabama	25			
Indiana	26			
North Alabama	41			
Indiana	34			
North Alabama	27			

# NCAA STATISTICS

## FINAL DIVISION I-A INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

### PASSING EFFICIENCY

(Min. 15 att. per game)	cl	g	att	cmp	pcf	int	pcf	yds	avg	td	pcf	rating
Tren Dufre, Fresno St.	JR	15	333	217	65.17	4	1.20	3276	9.84	28	8.41	73
Dave Barr, California	JR	11	275	187	68.00	12	4.36	2619	9.52	21	7.84	164.5
David Bevel, Wisconsin	SO	11	256	177	69.14	0	3.91	2294	8.96	19	7.42	61
Charlie Ward, Florida St.	SR	11	380	264	69.47	4	1.05	3032	7.98	27	7.1	157.8
Mike ice DeShazo, Virginia Tech	JR	11	230	129	56.09	7	3.04	2080	9.04	22	9.57	157.5
Health Shuler, Tennessee	JR	11	265	184	64.56	8	2.81	2354	8.26	25	8.77	157.3
Glenn Foley, Boston College	SR	11	363	222	61.16	10	2.75	3397	9.36	25	6.89	157.0
Chris Vargas, Nevada	SR	11	490	331	67.55	18	3.67	4265	8.70	34	6.94	156.2
John Walsh, Brigham Young	SO	11	397	244	61.46	15	3.78	3727	9.39	28	7.05	156.0
Rob Johnson, Southern Cal.	JR	12	405	278	68.64	5	1.23	3285	8.11	26	6.42	155.5
Tim Gutierrez, San Diego St.	JR	10	341	208	61.00	10	2.93	3033	8.89	24	7.04	153.1
Kaylin McDougall, Notre Dame	SR	10	159	96	61.84	5	3.14	1541	9.89	7	4.40	151.3
Mike McCoy, Utah	JR	12	430	276	61.19	10	2.33	3860	8.98	21	4.88	151.1
Robert Mai, Texas Tech	SR	11	341	216	63.34	7	2.05	2894	8.49	2	6.16	150.8
Todd Collins, Michigan	JR	11	274	178	84.96	7	2.55	2320	8.47	16	5.84	150.2
Jeff Brohm, Louisville	SR	11	304	185	60.86	9	2.96	2626	8.64	20	6.58	149.2
Danny O'Neil, Oregon	JR	11	360	223	61.94	15	4.17	3224	8.96	22	6.11	149.0
Eric Zeier, Georgia	JR	11	425	269	63.29	7	1.65	3525	8.29	24	5.65	148.3
Marvin Graves, Syracuse	SR	11	280	171	61.07	11	3.93	2547	9.10	15	5.36	147.3
Terry Daal, Florida	JR	10	200	118	59.00	10	5.00	1651	8.25	17	8.55	146.4
Steve Stenstrom, Stanford	SR	11	455	300	65.93	14	3.08	3627	7.97	27	5.93	145.3
Danny Wuerffel, Florida	FR	11	273	159	58.24	10	3.66	2210	8.17	22	8.06	145.1
Cale Gundl, Oklahoma	SR	1	243	144	59.26	5	2.47	2096	8.63	14	5.76	145.0
Jason Stamicek, North Carolina	JR	12	217	139	64.08	10	4.61	1874	8.64	12	5.53	145.0
Scott Milanovich, Maryland	SO	11	431	279	64.73	18	4.18	3499	8.12	26	6.03	144.5

### TOTAL OFFENSE

	rushing						passing						total offense	
	cl	car	gain	loss	net	att	yds	pls	yds	td	ypg	attempts	yd pg	
Chris Vargas, Nevada	SR	45	140	73	67	490	4265	535	4332	8.10	393.82			
Mike McCoy, Utah	JR	99	355	247	109	430	3860	529	3969	7.50	2	330.75		
Eric Zeier, Georgia	JR	59	181	204	-43	425	3525	484	3482	7.19	25	318.55		
Scott Milanovich, Maryland	SO	91	208	270	-62	431	3499	522	3437	6.58	29	312.45		
John Walsh, Brigham Young	SO	83	70	377	-307	397	3727	480	3420	7.13	31	310.91		
Sieve Stenstrom, Stanford	SR	57	35	268	229	455	3627	512	3396	6.64	27	308.91		
Charlie Ward, Florida St.	SR	65	452	113	339	380	3032	445	3371	7.58	31	306.45		
Glenn Foley, Boston College	SR	26	38	82	-44	363	3397	389	3353	8.82	25	304.82		
Anthony Cahill, Utah St.	SR	89	298	188	112	469	3148	550	3260	5.84	23	295.38		
Trent Dilfer, Fresno St.	JR	36	74	138	-64	333	3276	369	3212	8.70	20	292.00		
Joe Hughes, Wyoming	SR	54	165	136	28	371	3135	425	3164	7.44	28	287.84		
Tim Cutler, San Diego St.	JR	36	2	211	209	341	3033	377	2824	7.49	24	282.40		
Danny O'Neil, Oregon	JR	87	174	311	-137	380	3224	457	3087	8.75	23	280.64		
Robert Hall, Texas Tech	SR	101	382	247	145	341	2894	442	3039	6.88	25	276.27		
Jeff Garcia, San Jose St.	SR	118	559	200	359	356	2608	475	2967	8.25	24	288.73		
Gus Frerotte, Tulsa	SR	73	161	151	10	383	2871	456	2861	6.32	22	261.91		
Rob Johnson, Southern Cal.	JR	76	107	284	-177	405	3285	481	3108	6.46	27	259.00		
Kordell Stewart, Colorado	JR	102	875	151	524	284	2299	396	2823	7.13	17	256.64		
Stoney Case, New Mexico	JR	126	549	220	329	304	2490	430	2819	6.56	31	256.27		
Marvin Graves, Syracuse	SR	102	362	213	149	280	2647	382	2696	7.05	21	245.09		
Jeff Brohm, Louisville	SR	78	289	244	45	304	2626	326	2671	5.99	23	242.82		
Joe Youngblood, Central Mich.	SR	44	108	179	-73	287	2488	331	2393	7.23	18	239.30		
Symonion Willis, Virginia	SO	73	352	180	222	276	2347	349	2569	7.36	20	233.55		
Spence Fischer, Duke	JR	48	187	150	17	387	2551	435	2588	5.90	12	233.43		
Dave Barr, California	JR	75	182	280	-98	275	2818	350	2821	7.20	21	228.18		

\*Touchdowns responsible for

### ALL-PURPOSE RUNNERS

	cl	g	rush	rec	pr	tot	yds	yds pg	plays	yds pg
LeShon Johnson, Northern Illinois	SR	11	1976	106	0	0	2082	109.27	343	6.07
Terry Vilis, Rutgers	FR	11	1261	61	0	704	2026	184.8	234	8.66
Marshall Faulk, San Diego St.	JR	12	1530	644	0	0	2174	181.17	347	6.27
Byron Morris, Texas Tech	JR	11	1752	150	0	0	1902	172.91	320	5.94
Mike Adams, Texas	SO	11	68	908	258	0	1854	168.55	106	17.49
Napoleon Kaufman, Washington	JR	11	1299	138	25	388	1851	168.27	268	6.91
David Paine, Alabama	JR	12	276	1000	244	439	196	163.42	154	12.73
Tyone Whearey, Michigan	JR	9	105	152	0	246	1465	155.89	2	5.59
Chris Penn, Tulsa	SR	11	2	1578	134	0	1714	155.82	121	14.17
John Leach, Wake Forest	SR	11	1089	340	8	283	1891	153.73	269	6.29
Bryan Reeves, Nevada	SR	10	3	1362	109	0	1499	149.90	115	13.03
Thomas Lewis, Indiana	JR	11	45	881	284	429	1639	149.00	109	15.04
Andre Coleman, Kansas St.	SR	11	24	761	382	434	1581	143.73	87	18.17
Damay Scott, San Diego St.	JR	11	98	1262	0	220	1580	143.64	87	18.16
Ron Rivers, Fresno St.	SR	11	1440	116	0	7	565	42.27	231	6.77
Dwayne Thomas, Virginia Tech	SO	11	1130	115	0	305	1550	140.81	245	6.33
Demond Thompson, UNLV	JR	11	0	1066	12	442	1522	138.36	80	19.02
Ryan Yarbrough, Wyoming	SR	11	0	1512	0	0	1512	137.45	67	22.57
Brent Moss, Wisconsin	JR	11	1479	19	0	0	1498	136.18	280	5.35
Barry Boyd, Southern Miss.	SR	17	805	74	0	587	1468	133.27	207	7.08
Todd Dixon, Wake Forest	SR	10	27	558	167	578	1330	133.00	75	17.73
Curtis Martin, Pittsburgh	JR	10	1075	249	0	0	1324	132.40	243	5.45
Junior Smith, East Carolina	JR	11	1352	101	0	0	1453	132.09	290	5.0
Tony Jackson, Vanderbilt	SR	11	807	70	11	753	1441	131.00	182	8.80
Zeb Jackson, Bowling Green	SR	10	952	138	0	214	1304	130.40	257	5.07

\*Includes interceptions return yardage

### RECEPTIONS PER GAME

	cl	g	at	yds	td	plg
Chris Penn, Tulsa	SR	11	105	1578	12	9.55
Bryan Reeves, Nevada	SR	10	91	1362	17	8.10
Miriam Stephens, Nevada	SR	11	80	1062	7	7.27
Briice Hunter, Georgia	SO	11	76	970	9	6.91
Damay Scott, San Diego St.	JR	11	75	1262	10	6.82
Isaac Bruce, Memphis St.	SR	11	74	1054	10	6.73
Brian Dush, Kent	SR	1	72	890		6.55
Johnnie Morton, Southern Cal.	SR	2	78	373	12	6.50
Mike Lee, Utah St.	SR	11	70	715	5	6.36
Mike Jones, Wyoming	SR	11	68	763	5	6.27
Russ Weaver, Maryland	JR	11	69	806	2	6.27
JJ Stokes, UCLA	JR	11	68	1005	17	6.18
Kei McCovey, Florida St.	JR	12	74	966	5	6.7
Ryan Yarbrough, Wyoming	SR	1	67	512	6	6.09
Pete Mitchell, Boston College	JR	11	66	818	7	6.00
Omar Douglas, Minnesota	SR	10	60	880	11	6.00
Joey Huie, Te Ata Tech	SR	0	57	794	6	5.70
Justin Armour, Stanford	JR	9	51	764	6	5.67
Demond Thompson, UNLV	JR	11	62	1088	8	5.64
Brian Oliver, Ball St.	JR	1	62	1010	10	5.64

### INTERCEPTIONS

	cl	g	at	yds	td	plg
Orlando Thomas, Southwestern	JR	11	9	84		

## FINAL DIVISION I-A TEAM LEADERS

### PUNT RETURNS

(Min. 12 per game)	g	no	yds	av	avg
Aaron Glenn, Texas A&M	SR	17	339	2	19.94
Shawn Summers, Tennessee	SD	18	255	1	14.17
Lee Cossendane, Northwestern	SR	16	223	0	13.94
Scott Gummire, Mississippi St.	JR	13	180	1	13.85
Andre Coileman, Kansas St.	SR	27	362	1	3.41
Eddie Dixon, Louisiana St.	FR	20	266	0	13.30
Todd Dixon, Wake Forest	SR	13	167	1	12.85
James Dye, Vtah St.	SD	21	256	1	21.9
Bobby Eng, Penn St.	SD	33	402	0	12.18
Greg Myers, Colorado St.	SD	27	325	0	12.04
Dexter McCleon, Clemson	FR	14	168	0	12.00
L.T. Gulley, Southern Miss.	SD	18	214	0	11.99
Chris Hudson, Colorado	JR	15	175	0	11.67
Ta Bons Fisher, Mississippi	FR	29	330	1	11.38
Glyde McCoy, Arizona St.	JR	23	259	0	11.26
Poole Banks, New Mexico St.	SR	18	189	1	11.06
Ray Peterson, San Diego St.	SD	30	330	0	11.00
Soroco Palms, Florida	SD	12	129	0	10.75
Paul Guidry, JCLA	FR	27	282	0	10.44
Principle Phene, Wyoming	SR	32	334	1	10.44

### RUSHING OFFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Army	11	660	3283	5.0	35	298.5
Oregon St.	11	675	3254	4.8	25	295.8
Nebraska	11	589	3167	5.4	39	287.9
Air Force	12	713	3419	4.8	29	284.9
Hawa	12	569	3247	5.7	35	270.6
Notre Dame	11	561	2868	5.1	37	260.7
North Carolina	12	828	3036	4.8	39	253.0
Wisconsin	11	557	2759	4.0	26	250.8
West Virginia	11	542	2684	5.0	28	244.0
Virginia Tech	11	502	2671	4.6	28	242.8
Iowa St.	11	575	2667	4.6	22	242.5
Colorado	11	522	2640	5.1	26	240.0
Tennessee	11	442	2521	5.9	27	238.3
Penn St.	11	532	2507	4.9	27	236.1
Rutgers	11	479	2382	5.4	27	215.3
Texas A&M	11	505	2577	5.1	27	234.3
Baylor	11	605	2510	4.1	30	228.2
Georgia Tech	11	467	2463	5.3	20	223.9
Florida St.	2	470	2667	5.7	26	222.3
Fresno St.	11	458	2438	5.3	24	221.8

### RUSHING DEFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Arizona	11	368	331	9	5	30.1
Washington	11	438	949	2.2	11	86.3
San Francisco, Ca	1	378	975	2.6	12	88.6
Notre Dame	11	331	985	3.0	8	89.5
Florida St.	2	397	1182	3.0	8	195.5
Mississippi	11	463	1127	2.4	8	192.5
North Carolina	12	410	1230	3.0	10	192.5
Michigan	1	379	179	3.1	6	197.2
Florida	12	417	334	3.2	9	111.2
Illinois	11	444	365	2.8	10	115.0
Ohio St.	11	409	275	3.1	5	115.9
Tennessee	11	433	1290	3.0	8	117.3
Bowling Green	11	418	1291	3.1	10	117.4
Miami	11	435	1297	3.0	9	117.9
Penn St.	11	423	1316	3.1	12	119.6
Memphis St.	11	430	120	3.1	9	120.0
Washington	11	442	122	3.0	10	120.2
West Virginia	11	392	1323	3.4	8	120.3
Wisconsin	11	371	1351	3.6	9	122.8
JCLA	11	435	1371	3.2	10	124.6

### TOTAL OFFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Nevada	11	955	8260	8.6	58	569.0
Florida St.	12	939	6576	7.0	63	548.0
Fresno St.	11	808	5863	7.3	53	533.0
Boulder College	11	827	5570	6.7	51	506.3
Uab	12	908	5815	6.4	43	488.5
Tennessee	11	762	5285	6.9	58	480.5
Florida	12	888	5719	6.4	59	476.5
Texas Tech	11	854	5225	6.1	51	476.0
Bryant Young	11	853	4222	6.1	51	474.7
Clemson	11	841	5175	6.2	49	470.45
San Diego St.	12	914	5586	6.1	51	465.50
Wisconsin	11	820	5162	6.2	46	488.09
West Virginia	11	781	5103	6.5	49	463.91
Virginia Tech	11	830	4885	5.9	52	444.99
Utah St.	11	789	4863	5.5	36	444.09
Maryland	11	854	4836	5.7	35	439.64
North Carolina	12	884	5252	5.9	52	437.67
Hawaii	12	803	5164	6.5	52	432.00
Georgia	11	776	4733	6.1	36	430.27
Wyoming	11	775	4731	6.1	44	430.09
Miami	11	807	4731	5.9	42	430.09

### TOTAL DEFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Mississippi	11	727	2580	3.5	13	234.5
Arizona	11	739	2606	3.5	14	236.9
Texas A&M	11	740	2724	3.7	10	247.6
Miami	11	721	2814	3.9	15	255.8
Alabama	12	738	3104	4.2	19	258.7
Florida St.	12	773	3414	4.4	15	284.5
Bowling Green	11	715	3285	4.6	22	298.6
Washington St.	11	773	3287	4.3	27	298.8
Ohio St.	11	744	3293	4.4	9	293.4
Indiana	11	747	3236	4.5	18	303.3
Connecticut	11	779	3365	4.3	22	305.9
Nebraska	11	726	3384	4.7	22	307.6
Tennessee	11	780	3395	4.4	15	306.6
Illinois	11	746	3402	4.6	22	309.3
Auburn	11	699	3478	4.9	22	310.7
Memphis St.	11	764	3440	4.5	23	312.7
Washington	11	759	3441	4.5	22	312.8
Western Michigan	11	730	3449	4.7	23	313.5
Oklahoma	11	702	3449	4.9	24	313.5
Notre Dame	11	753	3487	4.6	25	317.0

\*Touchdowns scored by rushing or passing only

### TURNOVER MARGIN

	turnovers gained	turnovers lost	margin
UCLA	21	10	39
Fresno St.	15	16	31
Cincinnati	13	14	27
Tennessee	15	18	33
Texas A&M	19	13	32
Mississippi	15	30	3
Penn St.	11	21	32
Colorado	13	13	26
Notre Dame	10	12	22
Texas Tech	16	14	20
Clemson	11	17	26
West Virginia	11	20	31
Oklahoma	9	17	26
Eastern Michigan	14	15	29
Southwestern La.	15	22	37
Virginia Tech.	14	13	27
Indiana	12	12	24
Wisconsin	6	22	10
Baylor	13	13	26

### PASSING OFFENSE

	g	at	cmp	int	pcr	pcd	td	yd	avg
Nevada	11	516	343	19	66.5	4373	8.5	34	397.5
Bryant Young	11	458	278	16	60.7	4080	8.9	31	369.1
Maryland	11	473	302	21	63.8	3823	8.1	26	347.5
Florida	12	488	284	21	58.2	4072	8.3	41	339.3
Stanford	11	474	308	14	65.0	3709	7.8	27	337.2
Florida St.	12	469	327	6	69.7	3909	8.3	37	325.8
Uab	12	433	278	10	64.2	3891	8.0	22	324.3
Georgia	11	432	272	7	63.0	3552	8.2	24	322.9
San Diego St.	12	465	269	14	57.8	3836	8.2	28	319.7
Fresno St.	11	350	225	5	64.3	3425	9.8	29	311.4
Bos. U College	11	368	224	11	60.9	3420	9.3	25	310.9
Minnesota	11	500	260	27	52.0	3277	6.6	22	297.9
Oregon	11	369	228	15	61.8	3270	8.9	25	297.3
Wyoming	11	378	212	9	56.1	3217	8.5	25	292.5
Southern Cal	12	432	297	5	68.8	3484	8.1	28	290.3
Texas	11	409	232	15	56.7	3153	7.7	21	286.6
Utah St.	11	471	247	10	52.4	3148	6.7	19	286.2
Duke	11	477	249	19	52.2	2999	6.3	14	272.6
Louisville	11	343	199	11	58.0	2923	8.5	23	265.7
Texas Tech	11	351	218	7	62.1	2914	8.3	21	264.9

### PASSING EFFICIENCY DEFENSE

	g	at	cmp	int	pcr	pcd	td	yd	avg	rating
Texas A&M	11	292	118	39	73	13	44.5	1339	4.58	1.71
Alabama	12	310	144	46	45	22	7.10	1539	4.96	2.90
Mississippi	11	264	117	44	32	15	5.68	1453	5.50	1.69
Miami	11	288	138	47	92	17	5.50	1517	5.27	2.08
Tennessee	11	347	167	48	13	18	5.19	2105	6.07	2.02
Iowa										

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### PASSING EFFICIENCY

	c	g	att	cmp	px	ym	2pt	1st	avg	d	pa	avgd
Shawn Knight William & Mary	JR	6	177	125	70	62	4	226	116	22	243	204.6
Doug Kusserow Idaho	SR	11	304	185	60	86	5	164	296.0	974	33	19.86
Kelvin Simmons Troy St	SR	11	224	143	63	84	6	268	214.4	957	23	10.27
Dave Dickenson Montana	SO	3	390	262	67	18	9	23	164.0	933	32	8.31
Dar Coker Towson St	JR	0	214	125	57	60	4	184	188.0	867	23	10.60
Ray Fletcher Drake	SO	8	136	75	55	15	2	147	126.4	929	11	8.09
Robert Cobb Northeast Louisiana	SR	11	345	197	57	10	8	232	300.0	872	29	8.41
Steve Simoni McNeese State	SR	11	413	249	60	29	13	375	344.9	835	30	7.26
Kurt Weller Northern Iowa	SR	11	268	158	78	96	13	485	245.4	927	16	5.97
Darin Hinson Central Florida	JR	11	322	191	59	32	12	371	764.5	82	24	7.45
Todd Bennett Eastern Washington	JR	9	226	117	51	72	3	133	195.6	865	16	7.08
Rich Green New Hampshire	SR	9	173	92	53	18	7	405	157.6	876	12	6.94
Tom Proctor Iowa	SO	10	440	262	59	55	13	295	336.8	765	29	6.59
Maser Bolin North Carolina A&T	SO	11	235	133	56	80	5	213	78.0	15	528	136.9
Chris Hause Rhode Island	FR	11	269	162	60	22	8	297	217.8	825	2	4.46
Mitch Moore North Texas	JR	11	324	176	54	32	13	401	259.5	801	24	7.41
John Whitcomb Ala-Birmingham	JR	11	389	238	61	18	13	334	301.2	774	21	5.40
Jim McGehee Pennsylvania	SR	10	318	183	77	55	4	157	27.9	631	24	7.75
Jay Walker Howard	SR	11	406	223	24	93	13	320	3.24	819	24	5.91
Kenny Ear Tennessee Chattanooga	JR	11	264	146	55	30	15	3.68	223.3	846	16	6.06
Mike Cawley James Madison	SD	10	239	131	54	81	11	4.80	198.8	832	14	5.86
Joe Folsom Princeton	SR	10	191	113	59	16	9	471	1.63	854	7	3.66
Steve McMichael All-S.	JR	11	386	203	52	59	15	3.89	319.7	828	22	5.70
Mike Jones Tennessee Tech	JR	11	271	140	54	61	8	3.32	200.0	738	18	6.64
George Beisel Hofstra	SA	10	306	223	57	77	16	4.15	286.7	743	23	5.96

### TOTAL OFFENSE

	c	car	gain	loss	att	int	ydsc	pls	ydsc	1st	ydsc	avgd
Dave Dickenson Montana	SO	10	612	274	338	399	384.0	53	397.8	751	46	361.64
Steve McMichael All-S.	JR	10	752	179	633	366	319.7	493	383.0	777	30	348.18
Tom Pughian Iowa	SO	81	226	272	46	440	336.8	521	332.2	638	30	332.20
Sam Sponer McNeese State	SR	102	328	249	79	411	344.9	515	352.9	685	30	320.73
Dan Kyustreid Idaho	SR	96	656	102	554	304	295.2	409	351.4	878	47	319.45
Jay Walker Howard	SR	60	325	180	145	406	332.4	466	348.9	744	28	315.36
George Beisel Hofstra	SR	106	473	284	189	386	286.7	492	305.6	621	27	305.60
Ronnie Dougherty Boston U	JR	123	644	209	475	518	245.5	441	287.0	651	27	287.00
Robert Cobb Northeast Louisiana	SR	28	49	92	43	345	300.5	371	296.5	795	29	269.45
Jay Fiegna Dartmouth	SR	92	309	166	143	127	254.2	413	288.5	650	26	265.56
Eric Fish Evansville	SO	57	178	140	36	380	256.2	437	260.0	595	20	260.00
John Whitcomb Ala-Birmingham	JR	27	2	188	786	389	302	415	284.6	834	21	253.73
Brian iron Weber St	FR	35	56	121	45	374	230	349	242.4	642	16	249.11
Mike Vlahos North Texas	JR	82	242	126	116	324	295.5	406	271.1	668	31	246.45
Darin Hinshaw Central Florida	JR	45	73	136	63	322	264.5	367	250.2	704	27	234.73
Shawn Knight William & Mary	JR	71	365	83	282	177	205.5	248	233.7	942	26	233.70
Lorraine Culver Western Carolina	SR	109	625	141	484	237	206.7	436	255.1	737	9	231.91
Jell Lewis Northern Arizona	SO	100	293	261	32	335	249.7	435	252.9	581	17	229.91
Jim McGehee Pennsylvania	SR	67	219	123	36	318	219	385	229.3	596	26	229.10
Rob Rowl All-S.	SR	84	374	99	275	237	175.6	271	203.7	613	12	225.67
Richard Howell Davidson	SR	204	1015	262	753	223	45	427	2204	516	23	220.40
Kelvin Simmons Troy St	SR	85	452	190	262	224	214	309	240.6	779	27	215.73
Kenny Ear Tennessee Chattanooga	JR	122	374	220	154	264	223	386	238.7	618	20	211.00
Kui Nwankwo Northern Iowa	SO	50	162	112	126	268	2484	315	2372	745	19	214.64
Ch. Scott Buffalo	JR	182	547	460	87	320	2263	502	2350	468	16	211.64

\*Touchdowns responsible for

### ALL-PURPOSE RUNNERS

	c	g	rush	rec	pr	tot	1st	yds	avg	tdays	yds pr
Tony Vinson Towson St	SR	10	2016	57	0	0	273	207	307	6	6.75
Keith Evans Princeton	SR	10	1731	193	0	15	1939	193	90	322	6.02
Sheriden May Idaho	JR	11	1267	331	0	296	1894	172	18	265	7.5
Robert Howell Davidson	SR	10	1362	157	0	139	1588	658	50	254	6.53
Terrence Stokes Pennsylvania	JR	10	1211	284	0	162	657	155	0	288	5.75
Daniel Harris Southern Ill	SR	11	1202	86	18	493	799	163	55	279	6.45
Chris Parker Marshall	SO	11	1370	292	0	133	1795	163	18	248	7.24
Anthony Russo St. John's NY	SR	11	1558	183	0	0	1741	158	27	327	5.32
Richard Johnson Butler	SR	10	1535	40	0	0	1675	157	50	332	4.74
Kelvin Johnson St. Peters	FR	9	654	357	79	317	1407	156	3	773	8.3
Irving Spikes Northeast Louisiana	SR	11	1563	150	0	3	1713	155	73	258	5.64
Pepe Fajardo Cornell	SR	10	789	407	9	351	1556	155	60	228	6.82
Ozzie Young Valparaiso	SO	10	446	442	162	505	1555	155	50	185	8.41
Bill Sparacio Colgate	SA	11	1077	151	0	443	1671	151	91	311	5.37
Judd Mint Dayton	SR	10	101	310	9	180	501	150	10	204	7.36
Leon Morris Eastern Kentucky	SR	9	1046	41	0	241	1328	147	56	160	8.30
Tony Folsom Morgan St	JR	11	644	285	50	631	1614	145	73	185	8.72
Chad Bailey Drake	SR	10	57	204	95	500	1456	145	60	1843	
James Cunningham Howard	JR	11	77	937	0	556	1571	142	73	91	17.25
Mike Petman Eastern Kentucky	SR	11	1139	144	107	149	1539	139	91	215	7.23
James White North Carolina A&T	SR	11	1316	204	0	0	1520	138	18	220	6.91
Kerry Hayes Western Carolina	JR	11	29	679	223	584	1515	137	73	79	19.8
Phil Anderson Delaware	JR	11	1082	391	9	36	1512	137	45	181	8.35
White High Eastern Illino	SO	11	487	21	0	0	458	137	09	277	5.44
Walter Gillard Connecticut	SO	11	1099	23	0	285	1507	137	00	241	6.25

\*Includes interception return yards

### RECEPTIONS PER GAME

	c	g	cl	tds	if	pl	pg
Dave Cecchin Leigh	SR	1	88	1318	16	6	6.00
Miles Mallik Pennsylvania	SO	10	24	840	14	7.20	
David Rhodes Central Florida	JR	11	78	159	12	7.09	
Dee Ingram Ad Birmingham	JR	11	76	1115	8	6.91	
Todd Eckenrood St. Francis PA	SR	9	61	678	1	6.78	
Hanz Hoag Evansville	JR	10	66	778	6	6.60	
Gary Harrell Mississippi	SR	11	72	982	8	6.55	
Wayne Chretien Montana	JR	9	57	788	9	6.33	
Jeff Johnson East Tennessee St	JR	11	69	915	11	6.27	
John Hyland Dartmouth	JR	10	62	1076	9	6.20	
Chris Summers Holy Cross	SR	11	66	1057	13	6.18	
Balke Teller St. Mary's A	JR	10	61	929	7	6.10	
Dav Gambill New Hampshire	SR	11	67	1138	3	6.09	
Scott Gunsey Montana	JR	11	67	1079	9	6.09	
Tony Brooks Eastern Washington	SR	10	60	1024	7	6.00	
Eugene McCowan Iowa	SR	9	54	454	3	6.00	
Lawrence Segree Tennessee St	SO	11	65	870	5	5.91	
Dave McGehee James Madison	SR	11	64	1207	6	5.82	
Mike de Jones Liberty	SR	1	62	955	9	5.64	

### INTERCEPTIONS

	c	g	td	pl	lg	pts	pl/pg
Chris Helton Boston U	-----	JR	11	10	42	0	0.91
Zack Bronson McNeese St	-----	FR	11	8	251	1	8.82
Shayne Spader Valparaiso	-----	JR	10	8	59	0	0.80
Craig Burks North Carolina A&T	-----	SR	11	8	174	1	7.3
Brent Alexander Tennessee St	-----	SR	11	8	121	0	0.73
Bob Jordan New Hampshire	-----	SR	11	8	52	1	7.3
Greg Pohlman Sammamish	-----	SR	10	7</td			

## FINAL DIVISION I-AA TEAM LEADERS

### PUNT RETURNS

(Min. 1.2 per game)	cl	no	yds	td	avg
Ray Marsh, St. Peter's	JR	10	171	1	17.0
Eric Harrington, Cal-Sacramento	SR	17	250	1	14.71
Gorey White, Acorn S.	SR	17	229	1	13.47
Jackie Kettlogg, E. Washington	SR	23	300	2	13.04
Kevin Washington, NE Louisiana	JR	23	291	0	12.68
Eric Alder, Idaho St.	SR	12	50	0	12.50
Dizzie Young, UTAh	SO	13	162	1	12.46
Mark Orlando, Towson St.	JR	22	267	0	12.14
Shawn Baker, Montana	JR	18	216	1	12.00
Joe Rogers, Texas Southern	SR	14	168	0	12.00
Mike Porter, Samford	FR	19	223	0	12.00
Reggie Barlow, Alabama St.	SO	18	208	0	11.55
Dexter Dawson, Georgia Southern	SO	32	366	0	11.44
Ervin Brown, McNeese St.	SR	32	359	0	11.22
Lavelle Townsend, St. Mary's (CA)	JR	29	315	0	10.86
John O'Leary, St. John's (NY)	FR	20	213	0	10.65
Curtis Luper, Stephen F. Austin	SR	16	168	0	10.50
Barry Espinosa, Dayton	SR	9	197	0	10.37
Brian Randa, Delaware St.	SR	14	143	0	10.2
Chuck Calhoun, SW Missouri St.	SR	31	313	0	10.10

### RUSHING OFFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Western Kentucky	11	645	3301	5.1	31	300.1
Towson St.	10	491	2969	6.0	30	296.9
Delaware	11	610	3263	5.3	38	296.6
Massachusetts	11	624	3258	5.2	28	296.2
Eastern Kentucky	11	643	3189	5.9	35	289.9
N.C. Carolina A&T	11	584	3125	5.4	35	284.1
Creighton	11	650	3074	4.7	30	279.5
Delaware St.	11	581	3034	5.2	36	275.8
Georgia Southern	11	589	2914	4.9	29	264.9
South Carolina St.	11	562	2909	5.3	35	264.5
Stephen F. Austin	11	552	2826	5.1	27	256.9
Idaho	11	468	2800	6.0	37	254.5
Princeton	10	513	2439	4.8	25	243.9
Youngstown St.	11	533	2171	5.0	34	242.8
William & Mary	11	526	2642	5.0	32	240.2
Duke	10	510	2398	4.7	21	239.8
Southwest Tex. St.	11	578	2585	4.5	24	235.0
Indiana St.	11	528	2482	4.7	21	225.6
Troy St.	11	487	2478	5.1	29	225.3
Nicholls St.	11	564	2463	4.4	27	223.9

### TURNOVER MARGIN

	turnovers gained	turnovers lost	margin				
	turn	in	total	turn	in	total	game
St. John's (NY)	-20	19	29	6	12	18	1.91
Dayton	-18	16	34	5	12	17	1.70
Montana	-17	17	34	7	10	17	1.55
Mississippi Valley	14	18	32	9	9	18	1.40
Towson St.	10	20	30	12	4	16	1.40
Middle Tenn. St.	12	22	34	14	6	20	1.27
Montana St.	13	20	33	8	12	20	1.18
Coronet	18	18	36	13	10	23	1.18
Central Conn. St.	14	15	29	4	14	18	1.10
Holy Cross	17	10	27	7	8	15	1.09
Boston U.	-18	20	38	5	21	26	1.09
Georgia Southern	17	17	34	17	5	22	1.09
McNeese St.	16	25	41	15	14	29	1.09
Marshall	-20	10	30	7	12	19	1.00
Pennsylvania	12	19	31	15	5	21	1.00
Stephen F. Austin	13	14	27	10	6	16	1.00
A.J. Birmingham	15	23	38	11	16	27	1.00
North Carolina A&T	11	17	28	13	5	18	.91
William & Mary	-10	14	24	10	4	14	.91
South Carolina St.	23	18	22	9	9	31	.91

### PUNTING

(Min. 3.6 per game)	cl	no	yds	avg
Terry Beden, Northern Arizona	SR	59	11	2712
Ronnie McCullahan, Furman	SO	47	11	2057
Craig Meighan, Lehigh	SR	46	11	1972
Josh Farrell, Sam Houston St.	JR	48	11	2033
Roy Hudson, Weber St.	SR	54	11	2256
Pat Heas, McNeese St.	SR	54	11	224
Eric Colvard, Liberty	SO	60	11	2482
Albert Razo, St. Northridge	SR	79	10	3244
Scott Holmes, Samford	SO	57	1	2339
Danny Weeks, Boise St.	JR	60	11	2455
Tim McNamee, Eastern Kentucky	SR	59	11	2404
Randy Hale, Idaho St.	JR	49	11	1979
Josh Siekken, Tennessee Chattanooga	JR	37	0	1492
Derek Norton, SE Missouri St.	SR	67	11	2689
Travis Conquitt, Marshall	JR	47	11	1889
Ron White, Butler	SR	55	10	2205
Mike Nevers, Cal St. Sacramento	JR	46	10	1836
Will Burkett, Appalachian St.	SO	43	9	1716
Bubba Beasley, Tenn. Martin	SR	78	11	3112
Scott Gurnsey, Montana	JR	45	1	1795
				38.99

### RUSHING DEFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Wagner	9	301	783	2.6	7	87.0
McNeese St.	11	387	956	2.6	13	85.6
Marist	10	342	952	2.8	8	95.2
Pennsylvania	10	365	967	2.6	7	96.7
Grambling	11	363	1091	3.0	10	99.2
Princeton	10	371	1028	2.8	6	102.8
Butler	10	353	1054	2.9	7	105.4
Central Florida	11	415	1181	2.8	16	107.4
Southern-B.R.	11	417	201	2.9	6	109.2
Ca. St. Northridge	10	376	1138	3.0	15	113.8
Troy St.	11	383	1253	3.3	10	113.9
Iona	10	392	1149	2.9	12	114.9
Alabama St.	10	383	1150	3.0	11	115.0
Northern Arizona	11	393	1317	3.4	13	119.7
South Carolina St.	11	421	1337	3.2	18	121.5
Cornell	10	405	1222	3.0	9	122.2
Boston U.	1	458	1353	3.0	10	123.0
Hofstra	10	442	1240	2.8	9	124.0
St. John's (NY)	11	413	1378	3.3	16	125.3
Dayton	10	390	1260	3.2	8	126.0

### PASSING OFFENSE

	g	att	cmp	pcr	int	pass	avg	td	yds pg
Montana	11	432	284	10	65.7	3948	91	35	359.0
Iona	10	465	272	16	58.5	3481	75	31	348.1
Lehigh	11	433	260	14	60.0	3575	83	30	325.0
Howard	11	449	238	16	53.8	3534	79	25	321.3
Hofstra	10	425	241	17	56.7	3079	72	25	307.9
Alcorn St.	11	417	216	17	51.8	3336	80	23	303.3
Ala.-Birmingham	11	418	254	16	60.8	3215	77	24	292.3
St. Mary's (CA)	10	354	180	13	50.8	2897	62	22	289.7
Boston L.	11	421	234	21	55.6	3124	75	23	288.5
Northeast Louisiana	11	356	204	8	57.3	3114	87	30	288.1
Weber St.	11	456	248	17	53.2	3075	65	19	279.5
Morgan St.	11	388	190	19	49.0	3062	79	22	278.4
Idaho	11	323	193	9	59.8	3052	84	33	277.5
Evansville	10	411	225	22	54.7	2685	65	20	268.5
Northern Iowa	11	305	178	14	58.4	2853	94	20	259.4
Central Florida	11	353	203	15	57.5	2817	80	25	256.1
Dartmouth	10	32	160	19	49.8	2542	79	20	254.2
Eastern Washington	10	312	188	7	53.8	2540	81	24	254.0
Liberty	11	384	222	15	55.3	2691	68	19	244.6
Cal St. Sacramento	10	335	187	17	55.8	2445	73	20	244.5

### TOTAL OFFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	td	yds pg
McNeese St.	11	724	2744	3.8	17	249.5
Southern-B.R.	11	689	2788	4.0	15	253.5
Grambling	11	704	3006	4.3	24	273.3
Southwest Mo. St.	11	712	3023	4.2	30	274.8
Pennsylvania	10	670	286	4.2	16	28.6
Cornell	10	591	2854	4.1	20	285.4
Iona	10	716	2905	4.1	24	290.5
Tennessee Tech	11	705	3199	4.5	17	290.8
Alabama St.	10	666	2959	4.4	23	295.9
Northern Iowa	11	793	3264	4.1	21	296.7
Dayton	10	685	2975	4.3	14	297.5
Marshall	11	731	3278	4.5	13	298.0
William & Mary	11	755	3296	4.4	27	299.6
Troy St.	1	703	3302	4.7	17	300.2
Florida A&M	11	685	3017	4.5	23	301.7
Evanston	11	705	3328	4.7	32	302.5
Evansville	10	659	3046	4.6	13	304.6
Western Kentucky	11	701	3360	4.8	27	305.5
Ala.-Birmingham	11	782	3367	4.9	28	306.1
Jackson St.	11	733	3383	4.7	30	307.5

### TOTAL DEFENSE

	g	td	pts	avg
Marshall	11	72	522	47.5
Dayton	10	62	453	41.2
Northeast Louisiana	11	57	431	39.2
Howard	11	58	424	38.5

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**Street & Smith's  
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Southeast High School  
running behind  
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## by DOUG HUFF WHEELING INTELLIGENCER

Bigger, faster, stronger...and smarter That's the overview of Street & Smith's 13th annual High School All-America team an elite 50-player listing of seniors from 26 states. Fifteen of the selections compete in three of the high-profile states of California, Texas, and Florida, perennial hotbeds of recruiting talent. In assessing the honor roll, consider the following:

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Left-handed Brock Huard is continuing the family tradition at Puyallup High in Washington. Older brother Damon, now at the University of Washington, was a Street & Smith's honoree and both competed for father-coach Mike at Puyallup High. Brock, a straight-A student who is ranked first in a class of 600 students, passed for 1,744 yards and 16 touchdowns with only four interceptions in his first season at quarterback after playing tight end.

In Pennsylvania, Dan Kendra enters his fourth starting season at Bethlehem Catholic. A son of a former University of West Virginia quarterback who played in the Canadian League, the schoolboy has passed for 4,099 yards and 39 touchdowns while rushing for 1,191 yards and 19 TDs.

John McArthur rewrote the St. Louis area passing records last season for University High. He threw for a record 2,401 yards (and 25 touchdowns) after a sophomore season of 1,366 yards and 15 TDs.

In Alabama football and basketball scouts are eyeing Steve Stanley of Colbert County High in Leighton after he led his teams to the state Class 3A football title and to the runner-up spot in basketball. He passed for 1,100 yards and 10 TDs last fall.

Quincy Woods of Rich East High in Park Forest, IL, opened some eyes last season when he passed for 2,395 yards and 20 TDs and rushed for 788 yards and 13 TDs.

In talent-rich Texas, the No. 1 prospect could be running back D'Andre Hardeman of North Shore High in Houston. The honor roll student, who also competes in basketball and track, is coming off a junior season when he rushed for 2,031 yards and 19 TDs in 10 games.

California is home to two selections Steve Wofford of perennial contender Bakersfield and Jerry Brown of Taft High in Woodland Hills. Wofford, who was selected the California Sophomore and Junior of the Year, led the state in rushing last fall with 2,658 yards in 14 games and enters his final season with over 4,000 yards. Brown, a brother of former Heisman Trophy winner Charles White of USC and nephew of California All-America Russell White, was the Los Angeles City Player of the Year as a sophomore and rushed for 3,580 yards the last two seasons.

Two honorees hail from rival Big Eight Conference states Nebraska and Oklahoma. Ahman Green averaged 8.7 yards per carry for Central High in Omaha, NE. Bennie Butler led Del City, OK, to its first-ever unbeaten regular season in 1993 while gaining 1,674 yards. Also a track sprinter, he has scored 40 touchdowns and gained 2,656 yards in two years.

Fans in northern Louisiana know about Jamie Spencer of Ouachita High in Monroe. The fleet-footed 245-pounder rushed for 1,840 yards and 21 touchdowns and landed 15 passes for 307 yards and three TDs.

On Long Island in New York, veteran observers say Amos Zereoue is the best they've seen since all-time college and pro great Jim Brown. A four-sport performer for Mepham High in North Bellmore who moved to the U.S. in the fifth grade, he rushed for 2,111 yards and scored 198 points in 10 games last fall.

### UTILITY PLAYERS

The Cincinnati area Player of the Year in '93 lived in Florence, KY, and played for Boone County High. Shawn Alexander opened some eyes by scoring 42 touchdowns and rushing for 2,401 yards, including one game of 334 yards and seven TDs.

The lone junior among the Mississippi all-state selections was Brian Darden of Warren Central High in Vicksburg. The two-way standout rushed for 1,762 yards and 29 TDs and impressed as a defensive back.

Kevin Faulk helped Carencro High of Lafayette, LA, to a state title as a sophomore and never looked back. A quarterback-running back-kick returner, he has rushed for 3,060 yards and 40 touchdowns and returned kicks for 901 yards and 11 TDs.

A jack-of-all-trades in Kansas is Mondrel Fulcher of Field Kindley High in Coffeyville. In football he has played quarterback, running back, defensive back, wide receiver,

and kick returner. He's also a basketball and track standout.

After earning first-team all-Ohio honors as a junior, Charles Woodson of Ross High in Fremont is rated the top prospect in the Buckeye State. In 10 games last fall, he scored 27 TDs and rushed for 1,528 yards.

### RECEIVERS

Prolific receivers and touted wideouts dot the prep scene this fall, including the top college prospects in Florida, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Southeast High in Bradenton, FL, is coming off a 14-0 record season capped by the state Class 4A title and appear one of the nation's top teams this fall. One reason is Peter Warrick, who caught 34 passes for 580 yards and 12 TDs. He returned 19 punts for 406 yards and had five 30-plus-yard gainers nullified by infractions.

In Pennsylvania, Corey Jones has made headlines in track and football for Conestoga Valley High near Lancaster. He had 61 receptions for 1,200 yards and 14 TDs in 11 games. In track, the sophomore was an unbeaten state champion with a 47-second time for 400 meters.

Some West Virginia observers feel Randy Moss of DuPont High in Belle might be the Mountain State's best-ever all-round athlete. He's led his team to two straight Class AAA state football titles while earning first-team all-state berths. He was selected the co-Player of the Year in basketball after DuPont was the state runner-up. In the spring, he plays baseball for the state's top-ranked team and found time to win the 100- and 200-meter sprints as a sophomore. On the gridiron last season, he caught 40 passes for 972 yards and 14 touchdowns, rushed 37 times for 484 yards and five TDs, returned 25 kicks for 368 yards and two TDs and returned two of six interceptions for scores. He also punted, kicked off, and booted a field goal while scoring 152 points.

The top-ranked preseason team in California could be Bishop Amat of La Puente, and one reason is Daylon McCutcheon, the son of ex-Ram Lawrence McCutcheon. Also a track sprinter, Daylon has impressed the last two years with 64 catches for 1,389 yards and 20 touchdowns and has returned three of eight interceptions for TDs.

In New Jersey, all-state Anthony DiCosmo of Bergen Catholic had a productive junior season with 70 receptions for 996 yards and 10 TDs plus six conversion catches in nine games.

Cuncho Brown of Parkland High in Winston-Salem, NC, and Tony Vella of Bishop O'Dowd High in Oakland, CA, are active all year. The two tight ends-defensive ends excel in non-football sports during the summer. Brown in AAU basketball and Vella in

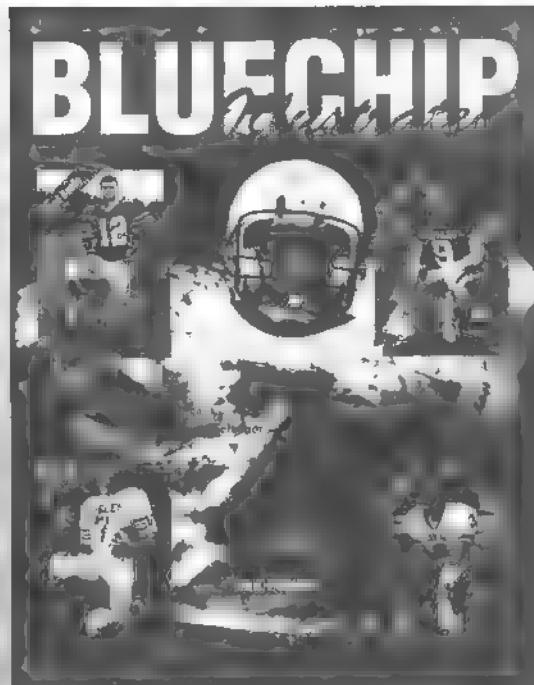
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**baseball** Brown also was a regular on Parkland's state runner-up basketball team. Vella, the son of ex-JSC and Los Angeles Raider lineman John Vella, caught 27 passes for 326 yards and four TDs and recorded 12 sacks the last two seasons.

The top prospects in Georgia this season are offensive linemen Matt Stinchcomb of Parkview High in Alpharetta and converted tight end Tim Meers of McEachern High of Powder Springs.

Indiana's top prospect is Mike Rosenthal of Penn High of Mishawaka, which has won its last 67 regular-season games. Rosenthal and Nebraska's Tim Ridder both earned all-state honors. Ridder's team, Creighton Prep of Omaha, won a state title.

Texas always has its share of good-sized, promising linemen, and Brandon Houston of Katy High in Texas fits the bill.

## KICKER

Randy Jones of Ferris High in Spokane, WA is more than an all-state kicker punter. The wide receiver-defensive back caught 30 passes for 560 yards and six TDs last season when he wasn't kicking six fields of 57, 52, 52, 50, 42, and 42 yards.

## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

California is home to two of the most touted nose guards in Phil Fonua of Mira Costa High in Manhattan Beach and David Gates of Morse High in San Diego, a pair of 6-2, 280-pounders. Fonua, whose parents hail from Tonga, also played fullback and scored 19 TDs for a 13-1 record team. A topnotch shot putter on track and a basketball starter, Fonua has two older brothers who play football at Arizona and El Camino, California. Gates is one of the state's top heavyweight wrestlers.

Chad Pegues of Gainesville, TX, is a two-time all-district honoree who was in on 132 tackles last fall. Tennessee all-stater Spencer Riley of Jefferson County in Dandridge will be a four-year regular. He has 164 tackles, 122 assists and 26 sacks.

Rick Sealey has played both defensive end and linebacker for Miami Senior High and is rated one of the Florida's top prospects. The premier down linemen in Maryland and Illinois could be a pair of 300-pounders in Desmond Thomas of Beltsville, MD, High Point and Jamie Wu of St. Charles, IL. Thomas had 12 sacks and 34 tackles behind the line of scrimmage last fall. Wu, also a track and basketball performer, recorded 18 tackles for losses as a junior.

# Street & Smith's Top 50 High School Seniors of 1994

QUARTERBACKS				home town
Bark Huard	6-5	215	Puyallup	Puyallup, WA
Dan Kendra	6-2	215	Catholic	Bethlehem, PA
John McCaffrey	6-2	185	University	St. Louis, MO
Steve Sanev	6-4	190	C. Bert County	Leighton, AL
Quincy Woods	6-2	180	Rich East	Park Forest, IL
RUNNING BACKS				
Jerr Brown	5-11	190	Taft	Woodland Hills, CA
Burnie Butler	6-1	190	Del City	Del City, OK
Antwan Carter	6-1	210	Central	Omaha, NE
D. A. die Hardeman	6-1	215	North Shore	Houston, TX
James S. Carter	6-2	245	Ouachita	Morristown, LA
Steve Woltord	5-10	175	Bakersfield	Bakersfield, CA
Amos Zereoue	5-9	185	Mequon	North Bellmore, NY
UTILITY PLAYERS				
Shaun Alexander	6-2	185	Boone County	Florence, KY
Brian Cushing	6-0	190	Warren Central	Vicksburg, MS
Kevin Fauk	5-10	190	Carencro	Lafayette, LA
Monroe Furcher	6-5	205	Field Kindley	Coffeyville, KS
Charles Hudgson	6-2	185	Ross	Fremont, OH
WIDE RECEIVERS				
Anthony DiCosma	6-3	185	Bergen Catholic	Paramus, NJ
Chris Jones	6-0	165	Conestoga Valley	Lancaster, PA
Darion McCallion	5-9	175	Bishop Amat	La Puente, CA
Randy Moss	6-0	190	DuPont	Belle, WV
Peter Warnick	6-1	175	Southeast	Bradenton, FL
TIGHT ENDS				
Cuncho Brown	6-6	240	Park and	Winston-Salem, NC
Tony Vella	6-4	250	Bishop O'Dowd	Oakland, CA
KICKERS				
Randy Jones	6-2	205	Ferris	Spokane, WA
OFFENSIVE LINEMEN				
Brandon Houston	6-6	280	Taylor	Katy, TX
T. J. Meers	6-7	265	McEachern	Powder Springs, GA
T. T. Pinner	6-8	285	Creighton Prep	Omaha, NE
Mike Rosenthal	6-8	290	Penn	Mishawaka, IN
Matt Stinchcomb	6-6	280	Parkview	Auburn, GA
DEFENSIVE LINEMEN				
Phil Fonua	6-2	280	Mira Costa	Manhattan Beach, CA
David Gates	6-2	280	Morse	San Diego, CA
Chad Pegues	6-3	275	Gainesville	Gainesville, TX
Spencer Riley	6-4	270	Jefferson County	Dandridge, TN
Rick Sealey	6-3	245	Miami Senior	Miami, FL
Desmond Thomas	6-4	305	High Point	Beltsville, MD
Jamie Wu	6-3	300	St. Charles	St. Charles, IL
LINEBACKERS				
Roger Alexander	6-3	200	Eastside	Paterson, NJ
T. M. Beauchamp	6-3	230	New Smyrna Beach	New Smyrna Beach, FL
Maurice Daniels	6-2	220	Annandale	Annandale, VA
Chad Henderson	6-4	245	Lincoln County	Fayetteville, TN
Marcus Jefferson	6-0	215	Pine Bluff	Pine Bluff, AR
Rob Konrad	6-3	225	St. John's Prep	Danvers, MA
Al Phillips	6-1	230	North Central	Indianapolis, IN
Brandon Short	6-4	250	McKeesport Area	McKeesport, PA
DEFENSIVE BACKS				
Maravious Houston	6-2	210	Boyd Anderson	Lauderdale Lakes, FL
Rudy Howard	6-1	185	Norcom	Portsmouth, VA
Toya Jones	6-3	190	Refugee	Refugio, TX
Robert McQuarters	5-10	175	Washington	Tulsa, OK
Cephus Scott	6-1	195	Bali	Gainesville, TX

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**LINEMEN**

Three honorees led teams to large-class state titles a year ago and earned all-state recognition. Maurice (Mo) Daniels of Annandale, VA, Chad Henderson of Fayetteville, TN, Lincoln County, and Marcus Jefferson of Pine Bluff, AR. Daniels, a competitor in track, basketball, and weightlifting, is the ringleader on Virginia's preseason No. 1 team. Henderson and Jefferson impressed on 14-0 record teams—Henderson with 164 tackles and eight sacks and Jefferson with 124 stops, including 18 for losses and seven sacks. Both scored defensive TDs.

Brandon Short of McKeesport is rated the top prospect in football-rich Western Pennsylvania while Rob Konrad earns the accolade in Massachusetts. Konrad, who already has committed to a Syracuse grant, also rushed for 1,600 yards as a tailback.

Another linebacker-running back is New Jersey all-stater Roger Alexander of Paterson Eastside. He charted 17 sacks and blocked five punts and two conversion kicks. On offense, he rushed for 1,047 yards. He also stars in basketball and as a track sprinter-jumper.

College scouts know the way to Indianapolis, IN, and New Smyrna Beach, FL. Al Phillips of North Central High in Indiana has recorded 228 tackles and 94 assists with 19 stops behind the line the last two years. Florida's Tim Beauchamp, also a basketball regular and state champion weight lifter, impressed as a tight end with 26 receptions for 338 yards. Brother Charles was an Indiana University captain.

**DEFENSIVE BACKS**

Martavious Houston of Boyd Anderson High in Fort Lauderdale is an athlete for every season. An all-state utility selection, he was on 114 tackles with three interceptions last season. In basketball, he was the state tournament MVP on a title team. In the spring, he's a premier sprinter-jumper.

Two Texas standouts rate raves: Toya Jones of Refugio and Cephus Scott of Galveston Ball. Jones was in on 128 tackles with three interceptions a year ago. In track, he was a state champion long and triple jumper as a freshman and sophomore and scored a state-record 45 points in the Texas meet in 1993. Scott, a two-time all-district choice, is a track and basketball regular as well.

Two other three-sport stalwarts are Rudy Howard, who led Norcom High of Portsmouth, VA, to a 14-0 record and a state title last season, and Robert McQuarters of Tulsa, OK, Washington. Howard had seven interceptions for a team with nine shutouts. McQuarters picked off 11 passes the last two years and returned two for TDs. He's a basketball point guard and a member of the state-champion 400-meter relay team.

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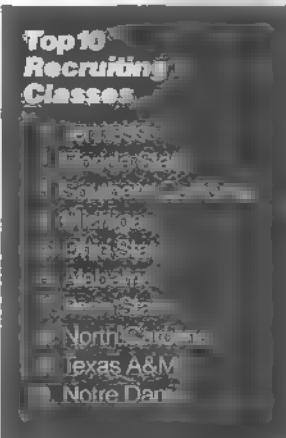
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 Michigan - Farmington Hills Harrison (11-2)  
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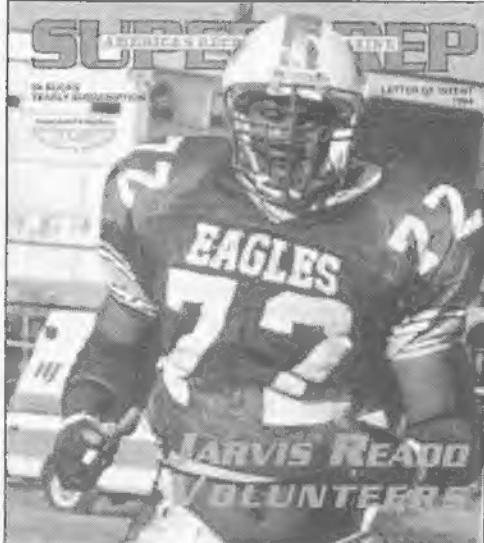
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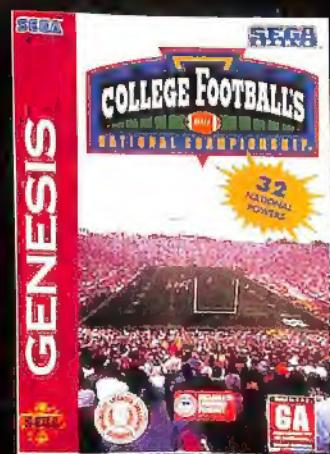
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